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UN FORCES MARCH INTO GAZA

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Ghana Comes Of Age

GHANA wakes today to the realisation that this is the first day of its independence. It begins making its own way in the world, and though it can be assured of wide sympathy and support, responsibility for government now rests on the shoulders of Dr Nkrumah and his Cabinet. All wish him success in his difficult task. Africa's Negro population has a particular interest in his progress. For Ghana joins the growing ranks of independent Negro states and African nationalists see this as a new milestone in their endeavours to become fully self-governing.

Britain is undoubtedly happy to assist this trend when it is sincerely convinced that a new independent state can survive the difficult initiation period when so many forces are at work to assert themselves, regardless of the national interest. Nevertheless Britain possibly feels like the unhappy parents who watch their grown-up sons and daughters leave the family circle one by one; unhappy, that is, in a nostalgic sense for the family is never quite the same again and the new ties that are established are not the same as the apron strings. Unlike many parental farewells, however, Britain bids best wishes to Ghana confident in its ability to manage its affairs in a way that will reflect credit both upon those to whom government has been entrusted and on those who have equipped the nation for independence. Dr Nkrumah's decisions to stay in the Commonwealth and disavow neutralism indicate a strong, independent mind and an outlook that is in no way shackled to emotional African nationalism. His realism bids well for the new state. Experience will undoubtedly bring with it maturity and an end to an occasional tendency to act like an exuberant undergraduate. His "PG" cap might have been left at home yesterday.

Israel Withdrawing

ISRAEL has decided to withdraw its troops from Egyptian territory and Mr Ben Gurion has survived the severe criticism that his Cabinet's decision aroused. Possibly what clinched the issue in Parliament was his clear statement that Israel reserved the right to take action if Egypt resumed operations from the Gaza strip. On the other hand Mr Ben Gurion was not able to assure the country that Egypt would never be permitted to return to the area. But where he may claim to have succeeded is in his Government's efforts to place the onus of guaranteeing peace upon the United Nations and Egypt.

It is now the United Nations' unhappy lot to cast about for a mutually acceptable solution to both countries. The presence of the UNEF on the borders of Israel and Egypt has been suggested as one way of achieving this, but it can be no more than a temporary measure. The refugee problem is one of the factors involved and Israel properly demands settlement of this question. A growing recognition of Israel's rights of free entry to the Gulf of Aqaba, however, promises to reduce this particular problem to manageable proportions.

Israel's decision to withdraw will, despite its unpopularity at home, evoke welcome elsewhere. For it reduces the immediate threat of another conflagration and brings nearer the reopening of the Canal and the resumption of disrupted Middle East oil supplies via the pipelines to the West. It also re-opens the possibility of new talks on the future status and management of the Suez Canal.

Take Over From Israelis

Gaza, Mar. 6.

A few Arab youths broke the curfew tonight with cries of "Long live Nasser, long live the United Nations" as men of the United Nations Emergency Force rolled into this rain-drenched city to take over from the Israelis.

A column of about 2,600 men of five nationalities—Danes, Norwegians, Indians, Colombians and Swedes—entered the city.

The city was under curfew as "Operation Changeover" took place smoothly and swiftly without incidents.

Apart from the youths, the streets were quiet as the United Nations forces moved in. A few people watched their arrival from behind half-shuttered windows.

The United Nations Emergency Force entered the city at 10 p.m. local time and quickly moved into strategic positions. One Israeli officer said they maintained "formal but cordial relations" with the withdrawing Israeli troops.

The UNEF troops began moving into the strip shortly after 7 p.m. and advanced northwards along cactus-lined roads. Some bursts of firing were heard shortly after they reached the city but this was believed to be due to Arabs celebrating.

Major-General Moshe Dayan, Israeli Chief of Staff, was in the main square to greet the UNEF's commanders. The final formal handing over of the city was expected before midnight.

Canadian transport trucks rolled into the city, bringing tents, equipment and supplies.

Sleepless Night

At first the city was in complete darkness, but gradually lights appeared as the people peered from behind their windows at the UNEF troops.

Both UNEF and Israeli troops are spending a sleepless night here since the entire handing-over is being done during the night hours. By morning "Operation Changeover" is expected to be completed and the Israeli forces, in one single move, are to pull out of the coastal belt.

A Swedish liaison officer told reporters here that the operation was going smoothly and without incident. He said UNEF had been prepared to move in earlier today, but factors unknown to him caused a delay.

Major-General Burns, who today supervised UNEF moves at El Arish in northern Sinai, is expected to reach Gaza town tomorrow.

Dispositions

According to UNEF officers, Danish and Norwegian units are to be in control in the northern sector of the Gaza strip, including Gaza town, while Indian troops will be in the central part and Colombians and Swedes in the southern sector.

General Dayan, accompanied by Mr Simon Peres, Director-General of the Israel Defence Ministry, heard from UNEF officers their satisfaction at the progress of the operation.

UNEF officers said four American civilians are expected to reach Gaza shortly to try to organise the civil administration in the area.

One Swedish officer said, "the troops are certainly glad to have left the desert behind them to come to a populated area."—Reuter.

—EIRE ELECTIONS: DE VALERA— HEADING FOR VICTORY

Dublin, Mar. 6.

Mr Eamon de Valera, 74, appeared headed back to power as Prime Minister of Ireland tonight. Mounting returns from Tuesday's general elections showed his Fianna Fail (Soldiers of Destiny) Party gaining all the way.

Mr de Valera has served as Prime Minister for 19 of the Irish Republic's 25 years. He held the post from 1932 to 1948 and again from 1951 to 1954. Indications were strong that the voters had turned again to de Valera because of the Republic's unprecedented economic crisis.

CAPTURES THREE

Latest returns showed Mr de Valera's Party had captured 31 seats in the 147-seat Dail (Lower House), taking three formerly held by the dissolved coalition government of Mr John Costello.

Mr Costello's Fine Gael (United Ireland) Party had 12 seats, the Labour Party four and the Farmers Party one. The two latter Parties were members of the Costello coalition. Independents captured three seats.

The Sinn Fein, political wing of the outlawed Irish Republican Army, won one seat.

One of the victorious Fianna Fail candidates was Mr Robert Briscoe, first Jewish Lord Mayor of Dublin.

There were 288 candidates from six political Parties and independent groups in the national electoral battle.

The early returns showed the Fine Gael and its partners lagging far behind the 1954 figures in the popular vote count. Under Ireland's system of proportional representation, surplus votes can be transferred to second-choice candidates. But first-choice candidates were not getting enough to help weaker allies.

One example of this came Mr Costello's own constituency, Dublin Southeast. Mr Costello was elected on the first count. But he polled only 6,918 votes compared to 11,342 in 1954, leaving virtually no surplus for Dr John O'Donovan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Costello government and the second-choice Party candidate.

DE VALERA

SWING PREDICTED

Political observers had predicted a swing to Mr de Valera. They had predicted that if his Party won an overall majority, Mr de Valera, who is rapidly losing his sight, would take over the post of Prime Minister for a year and then turn the post over to a chosen successor.

Mr Costello controlled the previous Dail for two years and eight months with a slim 77-68 margin, which depended on the support of three Republicans and three Independents. The Fine Gael Party held only 50 seats and its major coalition partner, the Labour Party, 19.

The de Valera Party with 65 seats was the biggest single group in Parliament.

Mr Costello dissolved Parliament after the Republicans withdrew their support. — United Press.

Nehru Apologises To The Queen

CRITICISM WAS IN "VERY BAD TASTE"

New Delhi, Mar. 6.

Mr Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, tonight offered his apologies to Queen Elizabeth for the "wholly intemperate" article published in the Economic Review, one of the Congress Party journals, criticising the Queen's recent visit to Portugal.

Mr Nehru said in a statement: "My attention was drawn this afternoon to a note in the Economic Review issued by the All India Congress Committee Office on Queen Elizabeth's visit to Portugal.

"I was greatly disturbed to read this note."

"On inquiry, I found that the editor, Shriman Narayan, had been away from Delhi and this number was issued in his absence and without his knowledge.

"I deeply regret the publication of this note which is wholly intemperate and in very bad taste.

"I am particularly disturbed that the Queen's name should have been brought into this and I should like to offer my apologies to her."

The Economic Review had said in an editorial that the visit of Queen Elizabeth to Portugal was "birds of the same feather flocking together on the eve of their doom."

FADING GLORY"

The editorial described Queen Elizabeth as "Queen of all the Britons now of fading glory, fast descending from the zenith of power to its nadir, cursed as they are by millions and millions of world humanity whom British imperialism has crushed, oppressed and butchered."

It said: "In the course of a speech in Portugal the Queen said the world is now living in more anxious days than it did 50 years ago and the civilising work which we pursued has not always met the understanding which it would have been right to expect in view of the results achieved."

"Her Majesty is apparently disappointed. Elizabeth II is sorry that the world is not able to appreciate the hanging by the neck of Greek patriots in Cyprus or the butcheries of the Portuguese in Goa," the editorial said.

EXPRESSES REGRET

Earlier this afternoon, the acting British High Commissioner, Mr W. A. W. Clark, called at the Indian External Affairs Ministry and drew the attention of the Secretary-General of the Ministry, Mr N. R. Pillai, to the article in the Economic Review.

Mr Shriman Narayan, one of the three general secretaries of the Congress Party is the chief editor of the journal, whose editor is Mr H. D. Malviya, under whose name the note appeared in the latest issue which came out on March 1.

Mr Narayan, who returned here tonight from a tour, said in a statement: "I am indeed sorry for the unrestrained language used in the notes written by the editor, H. D. Malviya.

"I express my sincere regrets for the reference to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second in one of the notes."—Reuter.

LETTER TO QUEEN

London, Mar. 6.

The Indian High Commissioner in Britain, Mrs Vijaya Lackshmi Pandit, has apologised to Queen Elizabeth for an article in the Indian Economic Review which attacked the person of the Queen, an India House spokesman announced tonight.

The spokesman said that Mrs Pandit had "especially sent her apologies to the Queen," and said that the letter referred to the "high regard" of the Queen held in India. The letter had been sent on the instructions of the Indian Government. — France-Presse.

Round-Up Of EOKA Men

Nicosia, Mar. 6.

Seven members of the EOKA extremists were arrested this morning after security forces cordoned and searched the village of Kilani, snuggled among the foothills of Troodos mountains.

The extremists were found hiding in a house. They surrendered after an appeal by the security forces. A large quantity of weapons and ammunition was also found.

Following a four-man attack against the Rizokarpasso police station in northeast Cyprus last night, security forces were alerted and a large-scale search mounted in the area.—United Press.

Bishop Meets Rock 'n Roll "King" And Is Charmed

London, Mar. 6.

The Bishop of Woolwich, 61-year-old the Right Reverend Stannard, heard rock and roll "king" Bill Haley play last night and commented later "I did not realise that such a charming man could produce that kind of music."

The bishop had been highly critical of teen-age disturbances at showings of the Haley film "Rock around the clock."

Last night he attended in suburban Croydon the final performance in Britain of Bill Haley and his band, as the guest of a cinema manager.

Both before and after the performance the bishop met the American band leader in his dressing room.

Afterwards he said: "I found him to be a very charming gentleman. I did not realise that such a charming man could produce that kind of music.

"I still don't like Rock and Roll music but I found that the young audience, although rather noisy, were quite orderly in their behaviour.

"Apparently young people react differently to a film in a darkened cinema than they do to a life stage show."—China Mail Special.

IRA RAID STATION

Belfast, Mar. 7.

Raiders of the outlawed Irish Republican Army fought a half hour gun battle with police at Derryl Fermanagh, Northern Ireland, late last night.

The objective of the raiders was the village police station and a constable was wounded in the action.

The IRA men, armed with sten guns, were reported to have crossed the border from the Irish Republic.

It was the third raid on the Derrylin police station in the past two months and the second IRA attack of the night in Northern Ireland.—Reuter.

Hid Drugs In Brassiere

Singapore, Mar. 6.

A valuable collection of drugs was found inside the brassiere of a woman when she landed at Singapore airport, an official of the customs department said tonight.

He said the drugs, packed in four bundles, were believed to be heroin.

Airport customs officials detained an attractive, middle-aged woman from Hongkong when she flew into Singapore a few days ago, the official said.

A woman investigator searched the passenger and found the drugs in her brassiere.

The passenger was reported to have been calm throughout the search.—Reuter.

So Why Bother To Vote?

New Delhi, Mar. 6.

Villagers in Himalayan foothills have shunned the ballot boxes in India's general elections because they believed what rival candidates said about each other.

When ballot boxes from Neoria Husainpur were opened here today it was discovered that only nine people had voted from a total electorate of 530 in 14 villages in Uttar Pradesh State.

Commented one village Elder: "From what we heard from the candidates themselves and their supporters, we became convinced that all were alike and it would not make any difference who won."—Reuter.

HK Trade Union Query In Commons

London, Mar. 6.

Mrs Barbara Castle, Labour, asked in the House of Commons today why the registration of the Hongkong branch of the Society of Technical Civil Servants, which was approved by the Registrar of Trade Unions in Hongkong on May 30, 1956 was withdrawn on June 1, 1956.

She also asked why the branch had had no reply to a request for an explanation.

Mr John Profumo, Colonial Under-Secretary, replied: "Registration could not be confirmed because it is illegal for a registered trade union in Hongkong to place itself under the control of a trade union outside the Colony without the consent of the Governor in Council. The position was fully explained to the local branch on July 23. The branch made formal application to regularise its position on August 31 and the consent of the Governor in Council has now been given."—Reuter.

Mob Attacks White Integration Leader

Birmingham, Alabama, Mar. 6.

A mob of rock-throwing whites, yelling "kill the nigger-lover", today attacked a white integration leader who later was fined $30 for reckless driving in making his escape.

Lamar Weaver, the integration supporter, had just left the terminal railway station where a negro couple had tested the integration policy in a waiting room when he was slugged with a suitcase and stoned.

He was convicted at a special hearing of running a red light and reckless driving as he drove his damaged car from a parking lot through a gauntlet of his tormentors.

"Obviously, I was fined for being at the terminal station and not for reckless driving," was Weaver's comment on the police court judgment.

The fine was $25 and $5 costs. City policy testified that Weaver came into the station and sat down by a negro minister and his wife "at the height of racial unrest" at the scene.

Weaver said he requested the special hearing so he could leave the city. He said his wife and child already were staying out of town.—United Press.

Taikoo Bids For Big Contract

Manila, Mar. 7.

Three big firms will participate in bidding for a US$5,000,000 expansion programme of Manila harbour, the Public Works Secretary, Florencio Moreno, announced last night upon his return from Hongkong.

They are the French Dredge Company (Compagnie des Dragues), Netherlands Harbour Works and Taikoo Docks.

The Manila harbour project involves the removal of 3,000,000 cubic yards of sand and silt from the sea bed to allow bigger vessels to conduct direct loading and unloading of cargo at the pier area.—France-Presse.

Petrol Rationing To Continue

London, Mar. 6

Petrol rationing in Britain will be maintained after April 17, it was learned in well informed circles here today.

An official announcement of the subject of petrol rationing is expected over the weekend. It is, however, probable that petrol rations will be increased in May and that rationing will be completely abolished in the summer, the sources added.—France-Presse.

SPYING CHARGES

Stockholm, Mar. 6.

The Soviet government, in a note handed to the Swedish Ambassador in Moscow, Mr Rolf Sohlman, today accused Sweden of espionage in the Soviet Union.

Fourteen agents of the Swedish intelligence service have been arrested "recently," the note charged.

The Swedish Foreign Ministry, announcing it had received the note, said the charges were unfounded.—Reuter.

Canadian PM's Warning To Egypt

Ottawa, Mar. 6.

The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr Louis St Laurent, said today that unless Egypt freely agreed to the voice of the United Nations majority in getting the Suez Canal functioning, the only alternative was the use of force, which he hoped would not be necessary.

He had been asked in the House of Commons to comment on Press reports that the US Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles had called on Egypt to "stop dragging its feet" on the clearance of the Suez Canal. Mr St Laurent replied that he had nothing to say to those reports.

But the External Affairs Minister, Mr Lester Pearson, he added, was returning to New York to see the UN Secretary-General, Mr Dag Hammarskjold, who would be going to Cairo next Monday.

Mr St Laurent said: "The Canadian government's demands are being made through the United Nations. It is clear that unless there is acquiescence in the attitude adopted by the majority of the members of the United Nations the only alternative is the use of force—and I would hope that would not be necessary."—Reuter.

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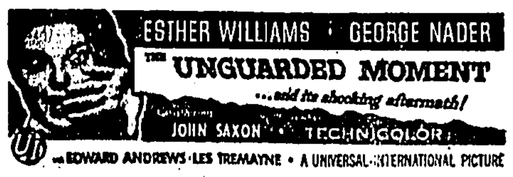

SEATO FIRMLY ESTABLISHED

RARE PHOTO OF TOP SOVIET LEADERS

This picture is one of those rare ones which show the top five Soviet leaders together. From left are: Zhukov, Khrushichev, Bulganin, Molotov and Gromyko.—Express Photo.

US Not Pursuing Hungarian Question

New York, Mar. 6.

The United States decided today after consultation with a number of like-minded countries not to pursue action in the United Nations on the Hungarian issue at present, but to make sure that it was kept on the General Assembly's agenda for the future.

A United States delegation spokesman said it had been agreed that "no Assembly action was required at this time" on the interim report of the Assembly's five-member special committee on Hungary.

This Committee, composed of Australia, Ceylon, Denmark, Tunisia and Uruguay, has been taking testimony from refugees, including Mrs Anna Kethly, former Minister of State in the Imre Nagy Government, and Major-General Bela Kiraly, Former commander of "the Freedom Fighters."

The group is due to leave for Europe shortly to continue its investigations.

FINAL REPORT

Today's United States statement said it was expected that the Committee "will continue its effective work and will make its final report in a month or two."

Earlier, it was learned that Austria had formally objected to the Committee's plan to hold public hearings when it moved to Vienna, because this might be regarded as a breach of Austrian neutrality.

There had been indications that Australia and other members might contest this position, but the United States announcement was seen as precluding any debate on this and other related matters in the Assembly.—Reuter.

NEW MOSCOW ANGLE

Withdrawal Only A 'Manoeuvre'

London, Mar. 6.

Moscow radio charged tonight that the Israeli withdrawal is only a "manoeuvre" and accused the United States of "dangerous intrigues" with Israel against the Arab states.

The Gaza-Aqaba pullback had just got under way when Russia's official voice launched a bitter and surprising attack on Israel and America's influence in getting the withdrawal started.

Moscow said the United States is "playing with fire."

"The Israeli Government's decision in reality constitutes a manoeuvre undertaken with the blessing of the Western powers, and primarily the USA," it said.

Study Statements

"Official circles in America seek in every way to deny their part in supporting the policy of Israel. It is, however, sufficient to study a few of the official US statements ...."

This was Russia's first official comment after Israel's pullback actually got started. For weeks now it had been attacking Israel's lack of withdrawal.

"While publicly appealing to Israel to evacuate its troops," the broadcast said, "in actual fact it (the United States) is encouraging Israel's unlawful activities.

"The US Government has gone so far in its encouragement of the Israeli aggressors that it has deemed it necessary to proclaim the Gulf of Aqaba an international waterway, declaring it would use force if any one attempts to disagree with this.

Hatching Plans

"Moreover, Washington urges the retention of UN armed forces in the Gaza Strip and the Gulf of Aqaba area....

"The ruling circles of the USA are hatching plans for open interference in the affairs of Arab countries, including the use of American armed forces....

"It is clear that the US manoeuvres in the matter of the evacuation of Israeli troops from Egyptian territory lead to the aggravation of the situation in the Near East," Moscow said.

Dangerous Intrigues

"In encouraging the aggressive designs of Israel, the USA is playing with fire.

"Peace-loving people of the world cannot ignore the dangerous intrigues which are being woven by the USA in the Near East," it concluded. — United Press.

Convicts Load Ships

Port Elizabeth, Mar. 6.

Convicts were again used as dock labourers here today as the labour stoppage involving African stevedores continued.

The stoppage began when stevedores refused to work overtime unless their pay was increased to 35s a day—double the present rate.

The local branch of the South African Congress of Trade Unions said today that the use of convicts to work ships might have international repercussions. One shipping agent has refused to have convicts used in his ships because he fears possible trouble from stevedores elsewhere, refusing to work a ship loaded by convicts.—China Mail Special.

Cairo Radio In Belligerent Mood

Paris, Mar. 7.

A Cairo radio "Voice of the Arabs" commentator said tonight that the Gulf of Aqaba would be closed to Israeli ships and Fedayeen (death commandos) would continue to spread terror in Israel, once Israel had completed the evacuation of the Gaza strip and the Sharm El Sheikh region.

The Egyptian radio commentator said after the Israeli withdrawal, the whole of the Sinai peninsula and the Gaza strip would be once more under "Arab control." He said it was obvious, under these circumstances, that the Israeli attack on Egypt last November showed that "crime does not pay."—France-Presse.

REBELS ROUTED

Algiers, Mar. 6.

A group of French Legionnaires and armed Algerian civilians with air support, routed a rebel band southeast of Tebessa, near the Tunisian border today and killed 65 rebels.

One Algerian civilian was killed and one Legionnaire wounded.—France-Presse.

Dulles Warns International Communism

Washington, Mar. 6.

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles warned international communism today that United States and seven other Pacific powers are determined "to preserve their independence and security against any assaults."

He sounded the warning in a statement issued before his departure on a 9,000-mile flight to Canberra, Australia, for a meeting of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organisation (SEATO) Council.

Dulles read his prepared statement before microphones, standing bareheaded in a chill wind at Washington National Airport. He chatted briefly with diplomatic representatives of the SEATO nations who were at the airport to say goodbye for their governments.

Contribution To Peace

Dulles said in the statement that SEATO has become firmly established and has made "a positive contribution to peace and stability in Asia during its two and a half years of existence.

"It brings security in the face of Communist threats," Dulles said.

Dulles said the eight-nation SEATO pact "will be further developed" at the Canberra meeting.

He said the SEATO pact and the Australian-New Zealand-United States (ANZUS) treaty reinforce each other in many ways. Among other things, he said they have played an important role in bringing the Pacific and Southeast Asia areas "comparative peace and security."

"These pacts are necessary to make clear to aggressive nations the united and determined will of the member nations to preserve their independence and security against any assaults," he said.

Reassessment

However, in Canberra professor of political science W. McMahon Ball lecturing at Canberra University on the eve of the commencemnet of the SEATO Military advisers reunion said that the prospects of SEATO to become an effective security system were diminishing.

McMahon Ball said Australia should reassess its effectiveness.

"There have been some solid reasons for setting up SEATO as a temporarily military arrangement in 1954. Now the trend in Asia is to shift away from Western military pacts and Western military presence has been increasingly resented throughout Asia," he added.

The political science professor said that it must be remembered that the Asians are the only ones who could make Asia secure.

Unsuitable

He said that the danger of overt military aggression has been reduced and that the chief danger now was the expansion of communism through economic failure and domestic disunity in Southeast Asia.

SEATO is an unsuitable instrument to deal with these economic and political problems, he added.

McMahon Ball said that Malaya did not join SEATO when it became independent in August and that the British power of military intervention in Southeast Asia has been sharply reduced, partly as a result of general state resources following the Suez Canal crisis and partly because of political difficulties with bases between Britain and Asia.—United Press.

MINISTER ILL

Karachi, Mar. 6.

Foreign Minister Firoz Khan Noon is suffering from high blood pressure and has been advised to stay in bed for a week, his doctors announced today.

It was disclosed yesterday that Noon was "indisposed" and would be replaced as head of the Pakistani delegation to the Southeast Asia Treaty conference at Canberra this month by Finance Minister Amjad Ali.—United Press.

Ike's Waning Influence In Congress

Washington, Mar. 6.

Two newspapers — the Wall Street Journal and the Christian Science Monitor — discussed President Eisenhower's "waning influence" in Congress in front page articles today and last Monday.

The Journal said today in a dispatch from Washington that Mr Eisenhower's relations with Congress, never intimate, were growing even more distant.

"His influence on Capitol Hill is on the wane," the Journal said.

"An accumulation of political irritations, coupled with Mr Eisenhower's inaccessibility, spells trouble for the White House in the weeks ahead."

TOUGHER TIME

Mr William Stringer, the chief of the Christian Science Monitor's Washington bureau, on Monday also predicted a tougher time for Mr Eisenhower in Congress.

Mr Stringer said: "Here and there, as the second term of office begins to unroll, President Eisenhower is encountering more opposition in Congress, more rumblings from the business community, less easily soluble legislative and foreign problems that attended his first term of office."

Mr Stringer suggested that Mr Eisenhower in his first term was recognised as a consolidator rather than an innovator.—China Mail Special.

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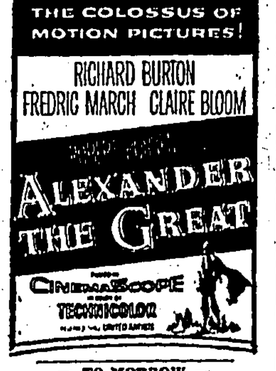

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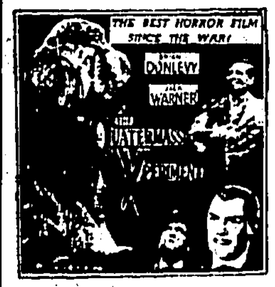

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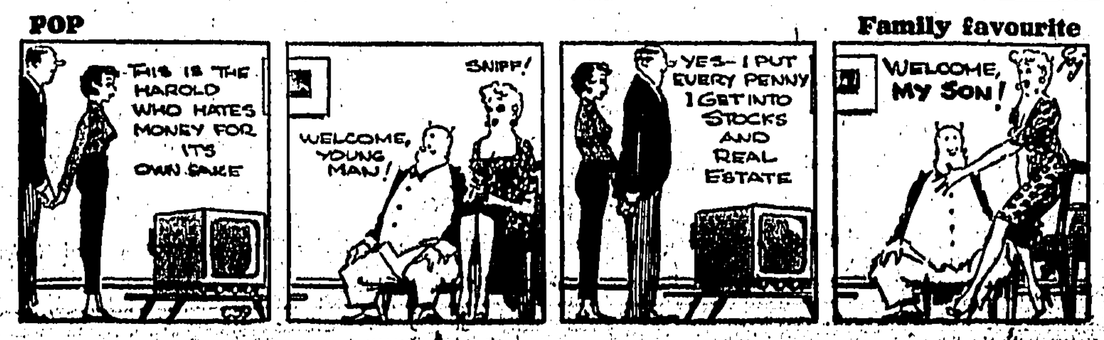

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EGYPT HOLDING UP WORK

Mercantile Bank Review

Singapore, Mar. 6.

Southeast Asian nations, outside Communist domination continued to enjoy increasing prosperity last year, and Japan had its best year since the end of the second world war, according to an economic review by Sir Kenneth W. Mealing, Chairman of the Mercantile Bank of India.

Sir Kenneth, in the review released here today, wrote of the financial position in Japan, Singapore, Malaya, Burma Thailand and Hongkong.

He said Malaya had a successful year despite the continuance of the emergency created by Communist terrorists. Rubber and tin prices maintained a satisfactory level.

Sir Kenneth said Singapore could look forward to another favourable year of trading.

Sir Kenneth said Japan in 1956 had its best year since the war.

Exports rose by a further 25 per cent, domestic trade showed a healthy expansion, productivity improved and the harvest—though not quite so large as the previous year—was still exceptionally good.

The Bank Chairman estimated that industrial production as a whole increased by no less than 25 per cent over 1955

DEVELOPMENT

Sir Kenneth said of Singapore: "It is evident that if Singapore is to maintain its position as a great communication and trading centre and keep abreast of the time a large development programme will require to be undertaken and means for financing such a programme are under consideration."

He said Burma's financial position was particularly satisfactory, noting a rise in foreign exchange reserves in 1956.

Thailand continued to be one of the most prosperous and contented countries in Southeast Asia, Sir Kenneth's review said

Economically, Thailand had a good year, with production of rice, tin, sugar and cement.

Hongkong's imports and exports last year showed increases in excess of 25 per cent over the returns of 1955, he said.

Variety of goods turned out by Hongkong industry was considerable, and the colony had become noted for the price, quality and range of products of its light industries.

The colony's shipbuilding and repair industry continued to expand and with its modern equipment and low costs was becoming a popular repair centre for many important shipping lines. —Reuter.

Refusal To Give Go Ahead

Ismailia, Mar. 6.

Mr Mahmoud Younis, manager of the Egyptian Canal Authority, today said "no" when Lieutenant-General Raymond Wheeler, chief of United Nations clearance operations, asked whether the UN could proceed with clearing the explosives-laden tug Edgar Bonnet.

This was announced by a spokesman for General Wheeler after the latter had conferred with Mr Younis.

General Wheeler, asked by reporters about a statement by Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, that the Suez Canal could be opened in 10 days, said: "I have no idea where Mr Dulles got this figure."

General Wheeler added: "I have no idea when the Egyptian Canal Authority will give permission for the clearance of the Edgar Bonnet and the (Egyptian frigate) Abukir."

All Finished

The General, who inspected clearance work at Port Said today, said: "All work is finished south of Port Said except for the Edgar Bonnet and Abukir.

"We are now working full speed ahead in Port Said harbour, where there are eight wrecks which, however, do not impede navigation."

He said dredging of the Canal had already started, and when the waterway was opened for navigation, ships of more than 10,000 tons would be able to transit it.

Egyptian canal authority teams were at present working on the wrecks of a Greek cargo ship in Port Said and a British tanker south of Suez, he said.—China Mail Special.

Envoy Replaced

Moscow, Mar. 5.

The Soviet Ambassador to Hungary, Mr Yuri Andropov, is to be replaced by Mr Evgeny Gromov, Tass reported today.

Mr Andropov, who held the post since July 1954, was being transferred to "other work," the agency said.—Reuter.

North American Loans Revision

AGREEMENT REACHED BY BRITAIN

London, Mar. 6.

The Government announced tonight that it had reached agreement with the United States and Canadian administrations in a revision of the repayment terms of Britain's postwar North American loans.

Mr Peter Thorneycroft, Chancellor of the Exchequer, gave the terms of the agreements in a written parliamentary answer.

He said that the new agreements gave the British Government the option of deferring up to seven annuities, until the end of the present schedule of payments.

Britain, Mr Thorneycroft explained, would have this option if it felt a deferment were necessary "in view of the present and prospective conditions of international exchange and the level of its gold and foreign exchange reserves."

In addition, payment of interest due on December 31—on which Britain had asked both governments for a waiver—would be deferred until "all existing and deferred annuities have been paid."

APPROVAL REQUIRED

The new agreements, he stressed, were subject to the approval of the United States Congress and the Canadian Parliament.

Mr Thorneycroft added that the British Government had given an assurance that it did not intend to avail itself of the major part of the potential deferments "in the years immediately succeeding the date of the agreements."

He stressed that under the agreements, Britain would be paying all the annuities in full and with interest, so there could be no question "of any default in our obligations."

The Chancellor was answering a question from a Conservative member of Parliament, Mr Geoffrey Rippon, who had criticised the Government for its decision in December to seek a waiver of interest on the North American loans.—Reuter.

Rectification Campaign In China

Paris, Mar. 6.

Lu Ting-yi, chief of the propaganda department of the Central Committee of the Chinese Communist Party, called for a new campaign of "rectification" to correct errors within the party, in an article published in the Peking Peoples Daily.

Lu said that though mistakes are inevitable, it was necessary to carry on a resolute struggle "even to the point of expulsion from the party" against those who refused to correct their mistakes and carried out activities detrimental to the party.

He said: "In order to unify the thinking within the party on the basis of Marxism-Leninism, it is still necessary to uproot doctrinairisms.

Some people in the name of anti-doctrinairism want in fact to oppose Marxism-Leninism or to revise the basic principles." He said both extremes must be combatted.

His article was in commemoration of the first great "rectification" campaign, led by Mao Tse-tung 15 years ago.—France-Presse.

Ike Given His Old Car

Washington, Mar. 6.

President Eisenhower today received a surprise gift—the 1942 car he used in Europe during and after World War II.

"Oh, it's my old command car," the President exclaimed when he saw it in the White House grounds.

The car was recently bought by a group of anonymous friends at an army auction in Germany.

It will be taken to Abilene, Kansas, Mr Eisenhower's boyhood home, for display in the Eisenhower Museum.—China Mail Special.

US AIRSHIP ON PATROL

The US Navy has organised an airship patrol to demonstrate that these craft can maintain a radar lookout when all other types of aircraft are grounded through adverse weather conditions. One of the newest-type airships — a ZPG—was placed on patrol over the North Atlantic 200 miles off the US coast and relieved at 24-hour intervals by a sister ship. Between them the vessels kept up a consistent patrol for 10 days through extremes of snow, freezing rain, high winds and other turbulent weather conditions — which at times kept other aircraft grounded. Picture top shows the pilots of the airship during one of its flights; picture bottom shows a ZPG being towed into take-off position. — Express Photo.

IKE'S DOCTRINE CLEARED FOR SWIFT PASSAGE

Washington, Mar. 6.

The way was cleared today for swift and final passage by Congress tomorrow of the revised version of President Eisenhower's doctrine for the Middle East approved by the Senate.

Mr Sam Rayburn, the Democratic Speaker of the House of Representatives, said at a press conference that he had been officially advised that the resolution approved by the Senate was satisfactory to President Eisenhower and Mr John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State.

The House last month passed the resolution in the form originally proposed by the President, but the Senate, after two months of consideration, adopted some changes. In such circumstances, the normal practice is for a joint conference of representatives of the Senate and the House to compose their differences, but that procedure will be dropped in the present instance.

Long Enough

Mr Rayburn told reporters that the differences were not enough to "fuss about."

Mr Rayburn said: "This thing has been here long enough."

Arrangements were made with other Democratic Party leaders in the House to bring the resolution up for final approval tomorrow. It was adopted by the Senate last night by a vote of 72 to 19.

The resolution would authorise the President to undertake military assistance programmes in the Middle East and would declare that the United States was "prepared to use armed forces to assist any nation or group of nations requesting assistance against armed aggression from any country controlled by international communism."

Not For Aggression

It would also authorise the President before July 1 to use up to 200 million dollars for economic and military aid programmes in the Middle East.

Among the amendments approved by the Senate was one which would require that the President determine that any aid offered was not to be used for aggression.—Reuter.

Karachi, Mar. 6.

West German Vice-Chancellor, Franz Bluecher, will visit Pakistan for one week, beginning on March 17, at the invitation of the Pakistan Government, informed sources said here tonight. A tentative itinerary includes visits to Lahore and Peshawar.—France-Presse.

NEUTRAL GERMANY IMPOSSIBLE

Washington, Mar. 6.

DR Heinrich von Brentano, the West German Foreign Minister, said today that supporters of a neutral Germany revealed "a shocking lack of political common sense."

Dr von Brentano's major speech at a National Press Club luncheon came less than a week after the German Socialist leader, Herr Erich Ollenhauer, had ended a visit to the United States during which he had explained his party's concept of a united Germany outside the Atlantic Pact and within an East-West security system.

Dr von Brentano said that anyone who genuinely desired a world order of enduring peace should not express the idea of a neutral Germany nor give such advice.

LACK POLITICAL COMMON SENSE

"These ideas reveal—permit me to say this—a shocking lack of political common sense, and they show that their exponents still cherish concepts belonging to the past century and that they think in categories which no longer apply to the present time," he declared.

Dr von Brentano did not mention Herr Ollenhauer or the Social Democrat Party by name in his speech today.

He insisted: "A Germany defenceless and powerless because of an enforced neutrality, released from self-imposed and freely undertaken commitments, would become a pawn in world politics.

"Seventy million people would become politically homeless, in the true sense of the word.

"In order to be able to exist and to work, such a Germany would have to seek friends, since it must perish in isolation.

"Any link with a neighbour would be regarded with distrust by the other neighbours . . .

CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

"In this conflict of interests Germany could exist only if it were to adopt expediency as a political principle, and in any case a vacuum of this kind would sooner or later be filled by some power intent on destroying a balanced order.

He said the German people had pursued the European and the Atlantic community in full awareness of its meaning.

"I speak advisedly of 'the German people,' for I know that I can speak for 70 million Germans," he said.

"The Germans know that they are an integral component of the free world and they will neither withdraw from this alliance of their own volition, nor will they let themselves be severed from it by force.

UNWAVERINGLY AND RESOLUTELY

"The place which the Federal Republic today occupies in this co-operation will tomorrow be occupied just as unwaveringly and as resolutely by a reunited Germany," he declared.

Dr von Brentano said that there was only one clear and unambiguous answer to the question of Germany's foreign policy: "Today's Federal Republic and tomorrow's reunited Germany must, will and shall exist in unbreakable alliance with the free world."

The German Foreign Minister did not refer in his prepared speech to his talks here during the last two days with Mr John Foster Dulles, the United States Secretary of State, and other officials.—China Mail Special.

H-BOMB TEST ASSURANCE

Lloyd Replies To Critics In Commons

London, Mar. 6.

A Labour member of Parliament, Mr Stephen Swingler, asked in the House of Commons today what scientific advice the Foreign Office took before assuring Japan that British hydrogen bomb tests in the Christmas Island area would in no way contaminate fish.

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, said the responsibility rested with the Minister of Supply, who was consulted on the terms of the note and was advised on hydrogen test matters by the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority.

Mr Lloyd said the tests "should be considerably safer than previous tests."

He told Mr Kenneth Younger, Labour, that in the circumstances there could be no danger at all of any contamination of fish.

Mr Swingler said information was accumulating that hydrogen bomb explosions would be a grave danger to mankind. It was not known yet how much poison had been distributed into the atmosphere by explosions in the last two years.

Mr Lloyd replied: "I certainly think we should play our part in trying to seek nuclear disarmament in the proper context, but so far as the proposed British test is concerned this will add a negligible proportion to the danger."

Mr Harold Davies, Labour, later asked what instructions the Foreign Secretary gave the British Embassy in Japan to explain why the British Government was using the Pacific for the tests.

Mr Lloyd said no special instructions were given to the Japanese Government and people were "well aware of the care we have taken in choosing the site which is well away from inhabited areas."

Mr Davies said it was rather cynical for a so-called free and Christian country to use Christmas Island on which to explode a hydrogen bomb.

The people in the Pacific Ocean had already protested to the United Nations about contamination in the past. Did the Government still maintain there would be no contamination? Why did not the Government explode the bomb in the Atlantic? he asked.

4,000 Miles

Mr Lloyd said there were no permanent inhabitants on Christmas Island. The site for the test was 4,000 miles from Japan.

Mr Davies then asked why the official bulletin, British Opinion, published by the British Embassy at Tokyo on February 6, contained a statement that protests by Japanese against British hydrogen bomb tests were helping the Communist cause.

He asked this "in view of the fact that 40 per cent of the people of Japan, or 70 per cent of the electorate, have protested against the tests."

Mr Lloyd replied: "I assume that the figures to which you refer are based on the number of signatures which the Japanese Council for the Prohibition of Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs claimed to have collected in 1955 to a resolution calling for a ban on atomic and hydrogen bombs in general and not to any protests specifically directed against any British tests."

He said Mr Davies had greatly over-simplified a passage in the bulletin, which considered fair comment, and denied it suggested the official Japanese protests were Communist inspired.

Losing Friendship

Mr Davies said that in the struggle between communism and the free world, these tests by the free world were losing the friendship of Asia.

Mr Lloyd replied: "I only wish that there had been comparable agitation against the Soviet tests which, according to my information, there has not been."—Reuter.

CENSORSHIP IMPOSED IN INDONESIA

Singapore, Mar. 6.

Stories filed by foreign correspondents in Indonesia are being subjected to censorship, according to reports reaching Singapore from Djakarta.

Censorship does not officially exist in Indonesia. But these reports say censorship has been in effect ever since the first outbursts of provincial unrest in Sumatra last December.

Officials of Cable and Wireless in Singapore said yesterday their office in Djakarta had not received some cables filed by foreign correspondents through the Indonesian post office.

Correspondents in Djakarta cannot lodge their cables directly with Cable and Wireless. They must hand in their cables to the post office which passes them on to Cable and Wireless.

Reports reaching Singapore say the cables are processed by Indonesian censors. Some cables are delayed for upwards of 24 hours and others are passed for transmission after certain passages have been cut out.—Reuter.

Adenauer To Visit Washington

Washington, Mar. 6.

Usually well-informed sources said today that the White House would probably issue a formal announcement tomorrow on a visit to the United States this spring by Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor.

Three weeks ago a West German Government spokesman said in Bonn that Dr Adenauer had been invited to visit this country and that he would not come until after the Atlantic pact meeting to be held in Bonn from May 2-4.

No confirmation has yet been forthcoming from the White House here, but the West German Foreign Minister, Dr Heinrich von Brentano, is at present in Washington and is due to call on the President tomorrow morning.

Sources close to Dr von Brentano said that a more or less simultaneous White House statement would be issued, and that it would contain an announcement of Dr Adenauer's acceptance of a formal invitation to visit Washington.—Reuter.

Indonesia's Police Adequate

Singapore, Mar. 6.

Colonel M. Soekardjo, a senior Djakarta police official said here today Indonesia's 100,000-strong police force is adequate to maintain "law and order" in his country, which includes about 3,000 islands.

He said thieves were the number one problem of the Indonesian police.

Of Indonesia's Communists he said: "They are very law abiding."

Colonel Soekardjo was speaking to Singapore reporters when he stopped here on his way home after leading a three-member police delegation on a two-month study tour of Pakistan and Ceylon.—Reuter.

MALAYAN 5-YEAR PLAN

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 6.

The Malayan Federal Legislative Assembly today approved the Government's five-year plan, calling for $1,356,000,000 capital investment between 1956 and 1960.

The plan is aimed at developing agriculture, rubber plantation, mining and other industries. It also sets aside $100,000,000 for building up Malaya's armed forces.

The British Government has promised $152,000,000 aid in cash and kind. The rest will be raised by loans floated locally and abroad and by drawing on reserves.

Chief Minister Tengku Abdul Rahman told the Legislative Assembly the plan might take six or seven years to complete due to lack of trained personnel, but that "it will be carried out," in spite of possible difficulties, setbacks and disappointments.—France-Presse.

GOVERNMENT FACES TWO BY-ELECTIONS TODAY

By FRASER WIGHTON

London, Mar. 6.

THE British Government is prepared for fresh shocks tomorrow from two parliamentary by-elections which Conservatives fear will emphasise the recent slump in their party's popularity with voters.

The critical contest takes place in the Midland constituency of Warwick and Leamington, the seat held by Sir Anthony Eden until his resignation from the Prime Ministership during the Suez Canal crisis.

Sir Anthony Eden had a majority of 13,416 votes at the 1955 general election in a straight fight with Labour.

This week local Conservatives have said they will be surprised if they retain a 6,000 majority, with some believing it might drop to half this figure.

Mr J. G. S. Hobson, a barrister, the Conservative candidate, said: "It is obvious that there is going to be a reduction of our majority and in our percentage of the poll."

The Labour Party, represented in this straight fight by Mr W. Wilson, a solicitor, is working vigorously to slash the Government majority to back its claim that mounting living costs and the "Suez adventure" have lost Conservatives the confidence of the nation.

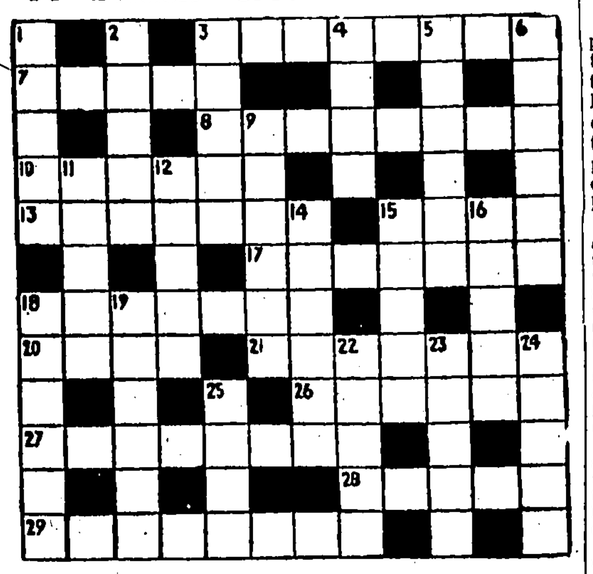
Main election issues at Warwick and Leamington are mounting living costs, the Government's controversial new bill to increase rents, and the economic aftermath of the Sir Anthony's Suez policy of armed intervention in Egypt.

Polling takes places tomorrow also at Bristol West, a Government stronghold held in 1955 with a majority of 22,001. The contest was caused by the elevation of the former member to the House of Lords.

Mr R. G. Cooke, a 26-year-old schoolmaster, is the Conservative nominee, and is considered certain to retain the seat, but Mr W. T. Rodgers, a secretary, representing Labour, aims to make a big cut in the Government majority.

State of parties in the 630-strong House of Commons is at present: Conservatives and allies 340; Labour 270; Liberals five; Independent one; vacant seats five.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 Blew up (8).
7 Feminine name (5).
8 Frightens (8).
10 Star, perhaps like Ronald? (6).
13 In general favour (7).
15 Top-liner (4).
17 Lineage (7).
18 Power (7).
20 Bones (4).
21 Different (7).
26 Wood-cutter (6).
27 Royal lady (8).
28 Devour (3, 2).
29 Comes in again (8).

DOWN

1 Clutch (5).
2 Flower (5).
3 Blackboard support (5).
4 Frolic (4).
5 Swell (6).
6 Abandon (6).
9 Engaged in commerce (6).
11 Alluring creature (5).
12 Deadens (5).
14 Negligent (6).
15 Pay (5).
16 Cordial plant (5).
18 Befitting (6).
19 Do as a favour (6).
22 Ornamental vessels (5).
23 Story written around Indian peasants (5).
24 Break out (5).
25 Highlander (4).

WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Occult, 5 Digit, 8 (p)Arson(age), 9 Sortie, 10 Nurse, 11 Radar, 12 Room, 13 Tests, 16 Moient, 18 Atones, 20 Salon, 22 Khol, 23 Posed, 25 Comic, 26 Aerate, 27 Close, 28 Lease, 29 Erudes. Down: 1 Observes, 2 Corporal, 3 Lair, 4 Treason, 5 Donates, 6 Inures, 7 Insch, 14 Standard, 15 Stutters, 16 Monocle, 17 Decease, 19 Topics, 21 Afore, 24 Doer.

HOW THE PATTERN WAS SET

The Queen's Consort

by Leonard Mosley

RESEARCHER: JOHN CRUESEMANN

IT is the nature of the relationship between the sexes that no woman who is truly and deeply in love with her husband can fail to be changed and influenced by him, no matter how superior or more powerful her position in the world may be compared with his.

A reigning Queen is no different in this respect from an ordinary woman. Her Ministers may warn her to hold herself aloof. Her Palace advisers may counsel her to keep away from politics and affairs of State in her marital conversation.

But when a woman gives her heart to her man she gives her ear and her mind to him too, even though she be Queen and he be a mere Consort.

Dominated

SO Victoria found herself, after an intense inner struggle, growing increasingly under the domination of Albert. And liking it, moreover.

She admired his thoroughness and Germanic efficiency. She discovered that he was one of those rare beings who practised what he preached, and she allowed herself to be swayed by his principles.

Victoria loved dancing, but Albert did not. So, except when state occasions made it necessary, she did not dance. "The Prince," she said, "is much severer than I am. He thinks I should set an example of propriety."

She was amused, but refused to interfere, when some of her courtiers complained that Albert was poking his nose too closely into the administration of the Palace.

Economy

FOR Albert had a modern mind, and he was an enthusiast for change and progress. When he was first married, he discovered that often fires were not burning in the Queen's private apartments.

When he asked why, he discovered that one department was responsible for laying the fires, and another for lighting them.

It was the same with the Palace windows. The Lord Chamberlain's department cleaned the inside of them, the Office of Woods and Forests the outside, which meant that they were rarely clean at all.

There was an enormous and wasteful expenditure on wine and candles, and his ruthless economy campaign won him many enemies at Court, especially among those who were getting hefty commissions on the purchases.

He saved the Queen a lot of money and earned the sneers of the Court officials. "They tell me," said one of them, "that he even looks in the cupboards."

To such remarks Albert, even had he heard them, would have remained impervious. He took his position as husband of the Queen with great seriousness and was not to be swerved from his ideas by criticism.

At a time in the history of Britain when the rich were getting richer, but preferred to ignore the sufferings of the workers who helped them to stuff their bank accounts and their stomachs, Albert caused a flurry by taking a stern interest in the plight of the lower orders.

"I conceive it to be a duty," he wrote to the Premier, "to perform towards the great mass of the working class, which will not allow one's yielding to the fear of possible inconvenience."

So he sat down and designed modern dwellings for artisans, some of which may still be seen in Battersea Park.

He took in hand the Duchy of Cornwall for his eldest son, the Prince of Wales, with its vast and valuable properties.

He actually had bathrooms installed in the flats, in an age not unduly noted for its enthusiasm for the external application of water.

In an almost uncanny way, he resembled Prince Philip today in his driving enthusiasm for new ideas. When the Crimean War came, he urged the establishment of a huge base in the South of England which became, in time, Aldershot.

He it was who thought of and designed the Victoria Cross. He wrote treatises on the design of balls for muskets and the problems of transporting horses by rail.

He even suggested to the Admiralty, which thought him mad, the building of a submarine of sorts which could attack the coasts of the Crimea held by the Russians.

And all this time he was insinuating himself into the mind as well as the heart of his young wife, so that soon she not only madly adored him but madly admired him too.

With the money he saved her by his Palace economies, he bought Osborne, close to Cowes, on the Isle of Wight, for £26,000.

Osborne was one of the homes of the Navy, and Albert guessed that his action "will be well received by the Navy, with whom it brings us into constant contact, and it will teach the Prince of Wales the nature of this glorious profession."

He bought Balmoral estate and made the plans for the present castle. And later, from the increased revenues of the Duchy of Cornwall, he bought Sandringham.

Fretting

THUS he laid the pattern of the royal year for a century to come. Just as Prince Philip may be said to be making the new pattern of royal living today.

Since Albert was so successful in the management of her personal affairs, can you blame the Queen for feeling that he would also do as much for the affairs of State?

So now she consulted him on all the most important decisions she must make. When he was away, she pined and fretted and postponed decisions.

She allowed him to ease out her private secretary, Lehzen, and henceforth he drafted all her important letters. All she did was correct his clumsy translation of German idiom. He was present at all her interviews with her Ministers.

"He is King to all intents and purposes," commented Greville, clerk to the Privy Council, and there were murmurings in the Cabinet that he had altogether too strong views about the positive position the Crown should take in politics.

"I hold," he wrote to the Premier, "that the Sovereign has an immense moral responsibility on her shoulders with regard to her Government and the duty to watch and control it."

This was an idea which particularly failed to commend itself to Palmerston, the Foreign Minister, especially now he realised that, while the Queen was reading the private despatches, her consort was leaning over her shoulder and reading them too.

He had frequent quarrels with Albert, and the Prime Minister complained: "I have tried to act as Broadlands." (Broadlands was Palmerston's country home; it is now, by a strange coincidence, the country home of the Montbattens, where the present Queen spent part of her honeymoon.)

But as the opposition of Press, people, and Government built up, the Queen's implicit trust in his judgment mounted too.

She now trusted him in everything. If she had a criticism of him, it was, perhaps, his enthusiasm for large families. (Victoria gave birth to nine children.)

She wrote to her uncle, Leopold, of "the inconvenience of a large family, particularly to the country. Men never think, at least seldom, what a hard task it is for us women to go thro' very often."

But she did not tell Albert of this. She gladly let him run her public as well as her private life. And under his guidance, despite public disapproval, England's policies were shaped.

And in only one thing did the Queen's husband come a considerable cropper—and that was in his ideas about the education of his son, the heir to the Throne.

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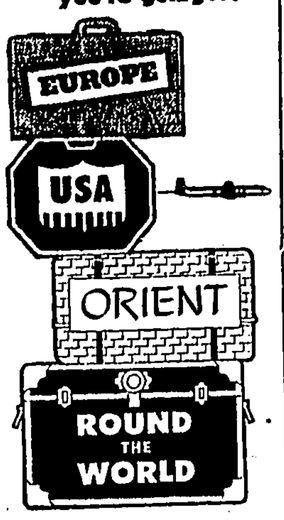

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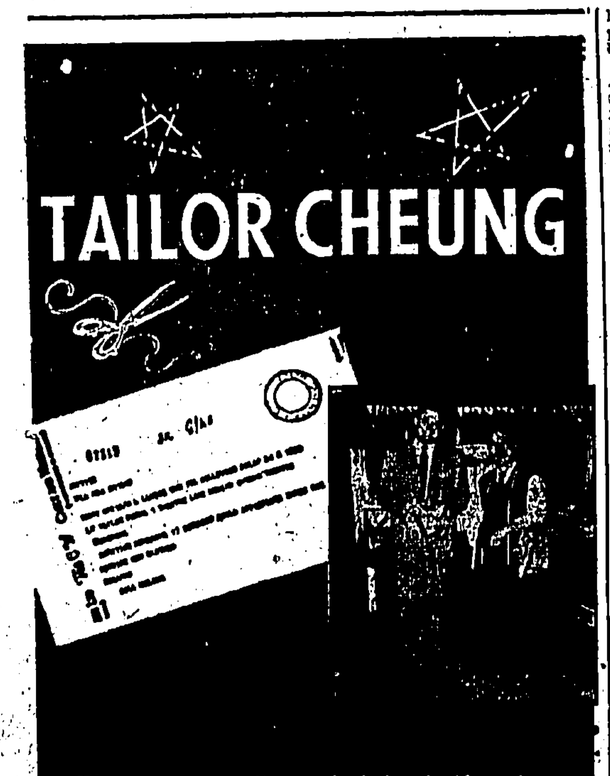

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DON IDDON'S DIARY

LODGE
"He decided to vote with Russia on Suez."

IS DULLES TAKING THE RAP FOR IKE'S FRIEND?

DULLES
"An abstention would have contented him."

THIS is crisis week in the United States. There have been huge crowds at the United Nations day after day and thousands of people have been turned away.

Yesterday I had to take my place in a long queue, despite my police Press card, and the delegates' lounge was so crowded that men were lined up three-deep at the bar—where the drinks are the biggest in New York and the prices only the same as in any gin mill along Third Avenue or saloon off Broadway.

While President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles have been taking a hammering in Washington, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge jun. has gone almost unscathed here.

Handsome

MR LODGE, who looks like an aging leading man in the Gable-Walter Pidgeon mould, is the chief U.S. delegate to the peace organisation and has the rank of Ambassador. He is a big handsome man, and, as U.S. representative wields more power than any other delegate.

The critics here say that Lodge must accept much of the responsibility for the series of splits in Anglo-American policy and that he has fallen short of being a true partner to his British and French colleagues.

Dulles has taken the rap, but Lodge, given sweeping discretionary powers, has often made the decisions.

I am told at the U.N.: "It was Lodge who made the decision to line up with the U.S.S.R. and vote against Britain and France in the Suez affair. The President and the Secretary of State would have been content with an abstention by the United Sates.

Lodge is close to Eisenhower and it was he who flew to Paris to persuade the General to run for President and who organised Citizens for Eisenhower groups across the country.

So when he was given a beating in the election of 1952 by Jack Kennedy Mr Eisenhower repaid the debt by sending Lodge to the U.N., and he has been there ever since, flexing his muscles and exercising his peculiar brand of burly diplomacy.

Happy

HIS grandfather, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, sen., was the famous isolationist who led "The little group of wilful men" who killed the old League of Nations and broke Woodrow Wilson's heart. It would be ironical if today the present Lodge helped to preside over the funeral of the United Nations.

Lodge seems happy in his work, if others are not so happy about it. He says: "The U.N. is the least frustrating place there is."

The American air is heavy with crisis talk, and New York, always highly strung, is now tense. There are pickets with placards parading outside the Russian U.N. headquarters on Park Avenue. Squads of police have been stationed there day and night ever since the slaughter in Budapest.

There are police reinforcements outside the Egyptian headquarters at 79th Street, and last night in Madison Square Garden there was a mass emergency rally for Israel.

The big hall was hung with banners: "What price morality?" "No sanctions against Russia for the rape of Hungary. No sanctions against India for defying the U.N. on Kashmir. No sanctions against Egypt for years of blockade, boycott, and murder, in flagrant violation of U.N. decisions. Shall we now join with Russia, India, and Egypt in imposing sanctions on Israel?"

Gloomy

THE home front is also disturbed and the President is being blamed for living costs going up for the fifth straight month, and unemployment mounting to nearly 3,000,000 people. Many of Mr Eisenhower's most strenuous supporters in the election are now pinning the label of "inflation" on him, and there is gloomy talk that this second Eisenhower term is beginning to resemble the Presidency of General Grant.

The spending goes on and on.

Florida is having a season that hotel men call "the biggest ever." The hotels and motels are so jammed at Miami Beach, Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale, and Key West that tens of thousands of people are sleeping in hotel lobbies and lounges, powder-rooms, in their own cars and even in gaol cells

And the boom shows no sign of easing off.

Today Miami is drawing as many big Hollywood and Broadway names as Las Vegas. Night-club comics Martha Raye, Jerry Lewis, Jimmy Durante, Liberace, Tony Martin, Johnnie Ray, Joe E. Lewis, Eddie Cantor, George Jessel, Danny Thomas, Danny Kaye, Sid Caesar, are getting up to $20,000 a week for performing on the Florida gold coast.

The news from the film city is that Elizabeth Taylor, who is 25 tomorrow, will have a very quiet party at Palm Springs with her husband Mike Todd, who expects to make $10,000,000 from *Around the World in 80 Days*. Miss Taylor, who was a performer at the age of three, a star at 12, playing mature roles at 15, said: "I am trying to recapture the years I missed as a child."

Her back still troubles her—she had a crushed disc, which can be excruciatingly painful—but the doctors say the injury will not be permanent. The English girl with the violet eyes, who was married at 18 to Nicky Hilton, the hotel-owner's son, and whose second husband was Michael Wilding, who is twice her age, claims to be surpassingly happy with Todd, who is also twice her age.

Todd says: "They tell me Elizabeth is spoiled, hot-tempered, difficult, but she is also deeply loyal and devoted. So she's spoiled? What man wouldn't want to indulge a girl like her?"

After her performances in *Giant* and *Raintree County*, Miss Taylor is on top of the Hollywood heap.

Gallant

THE two most gallant people in Hollywood are William Powell and Zasu Pitts. Fifteen years ago Powell had an operation for cancer and he beat the illness. He talks quite openly about it, and is a leading organiser for funds for cancer research.

Zasu Pitts is similarly frank and equally hard-working.

Since Humphrey Bogart's death there has been a new drive to provide funds for doctors, and a leading magazine has offered to pay $20,000 into the cancer fund if Lauren Bacall will write an article on her life without Bogey.

She herself has given a large slice of the million dollars Bogart left her to help fight the scourge.

Footnote: From a letter to the *Wall Street Journal*.—The Roosevelt Administrations were known as the New Deal, the Truman Administration as the Fair Deal. Now the Eisenhower Administration is coming to be known as the Ordeal.

An American guide-book warns tourists visiting England:

DON'T BE A SUCKER ABOUT MONEY

By EILEEN ASCROFT

IT is always amusing to see ourselves as others see us. I have been browsing through an American guide-book* for tourists coming to England and am fascinated with some of its advice.

"Heaven help the female who flounces through the hotel lobby in the dress she wore last Tuesday" is its first warning to women packing for the trip.

"Don't be a sucker," it cautions about money. "Play fair. Give the waiter, the shopkeeper and taxi-driver a square deal; if he tries to gouge you because you're 'rich,' spit in his eye."

"Always keep a duplicate laundry list," it says. "Socks, shorts and handkerchiefs will soon dwindle if you don't."

Tasteless

And as for food—"Improving slightly, but still the most tasteless of any land you'll visit," says the know-all guide. "The national indifference to the preparation of food is traditional.....no meal is complete without boiled cabbage or boiled potatoes, the kind that goes clunk when it hits your stomach."

One of the calls that all American visitors are advised to make is on Lodnon's shopping queen, Grace Slater. "She's savvy," it declares.

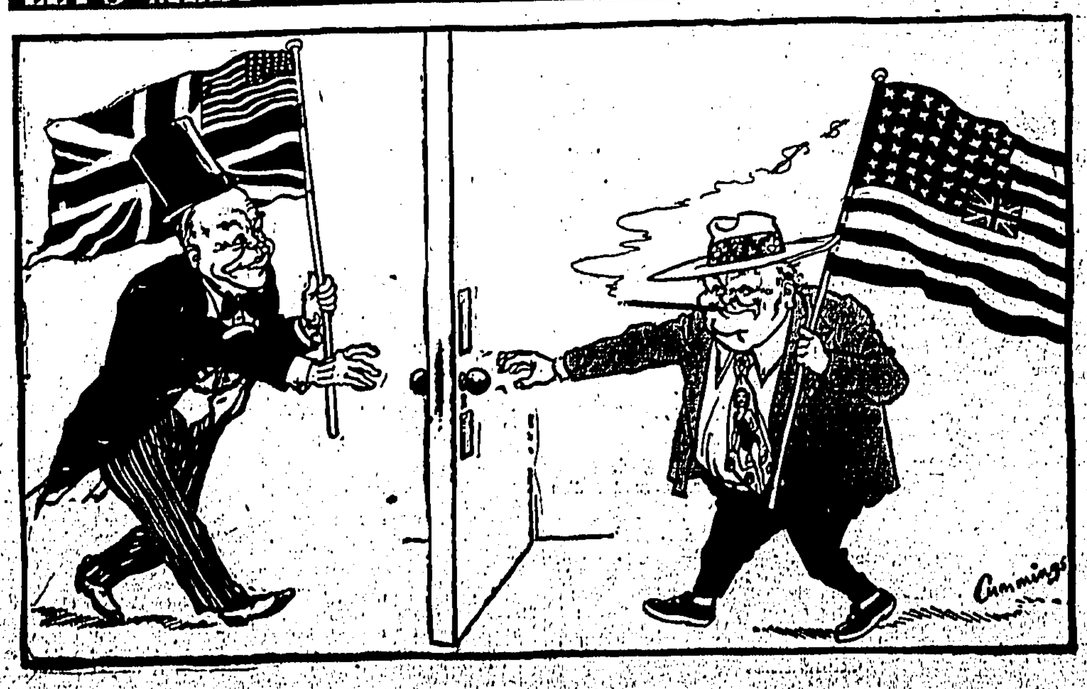
I called on Grace myself and found her a tall, attractive woman, with dark hair and blue eyes. "I can find anything you want in London," is her motto.

"Most of my requests are for antiques" she told me. Recent assignments have been for thousands of pounds worth of Georgian diamond jewellery for four elderly sisters from the Middle West, 300lb. of stone-ground wholemeal flour for a diplomat going to Turkey, and an antique wedding veil for a Swiss millionaire's daughter.

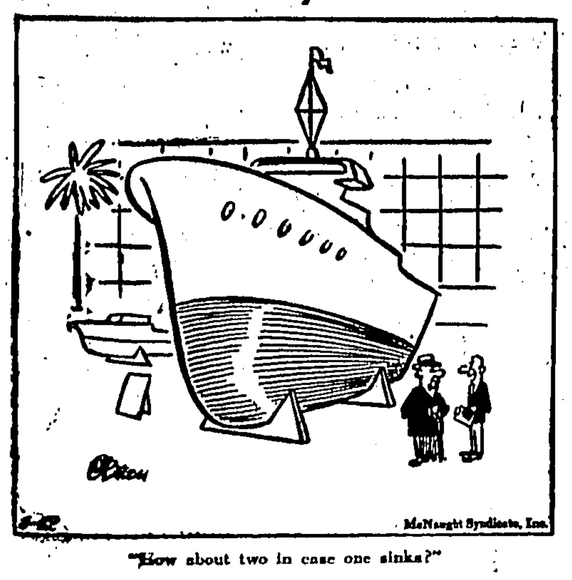
"American husbands must be the most indulgent in the world," says Grace. "Anything their wives WANT they must HAVE."

* *Temple Fielding's Guide to Europe.*

LET'S MEET EACH OTHER MORE THAN HALF WAY!



This Funny World



"How about two in case one sinks?"

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

BORN today, you are ambitious but if you are to reach the heights to which you aspire, you must show a higher degree of self-reliance than that which normally belongs to one of your temperament. You have the ability to envision great dreams and to convert them into practical reality. This gives you a better than average chance for success. Science, the arts, literature and music are your major intellectual interests.

One side of your nature is artistic, creative and inspirational, while the other half is practical, desiring before everything else economic security in your own time! To you, art is not such a motivating force that you would starve in an attic for it. You will work at anything until you have a backlog for that "rainy day"—and then you will indulge in your artistic preferences. This means, of course, that art, with you, is a hobby rather than a major compulsion in your life.

You have a good mind but do not always make the best possible use of it. You have a certain physical inertia which expresses itself in a programme of procrastination. At the last moment, you rush around like mad and usually get the job finished in time. But you waste considerable physical and nervous energy by this method and would find that the "slow and steady" technique really pays off better.

Master yourself before you make any attempt to direct others! While home-loving and loyal, you are not especially demonstrative and probably will take your time in selecting the proper mate for your life-long contentment and happiness.

Among those born on this date were: Luther Burbank, horticulturist; E.H. Conger, diplomat; Helen Hoerle and Ben Ames Williams, authors; Henry Draper, scientist; Antoine Becquerel, chemist; Stephen Hopkins, statesman; Richard M. Upjohn, architect; and Frances Jackson, reformer.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Believe in your own ideas and develop them. If you do that, today can prove highly profitable.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Foresight is necessary today. Be sure that you are logical and practical in making a major decision.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Business affairs are rather unsettled, especially in affairs involving finances. Be very astute!

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—The spotlight is on your sign—but not in favourable aspect, so be guarded in all you undertake today.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Be practical in every aspect of your planning, especially for the future. Visionary daydreaming is no good!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—If you adhere to routine, all goes well. But if you attempt something new, you may find difficulty in promoting it.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—You may find complicating hindrances this week-end. Don't expect too much from projected plans. They may fail.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Don't let pleasure interfere with business at this juncture. The moment is too critical. Be conscientious.

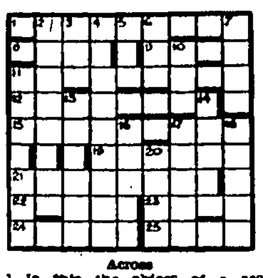
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Don't let impulse rule your actions today. Stop and think before you set out. Caution is indicated.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Let down tensions today, for you may find it quite impossible to cope with conditions unless you do.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Despite complications and upsets, hold to a positive and constructive attitude if you want to win.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't go overboard with excitement—or sink into the depths of a depressed mood. Keep the chin up and all works out eventually as you wish.

CROSSWORD



Across

1. Is this the object of a sea joke? (5-4)
8. It often describes the control of a plane. (4)
9. Panache without the cooking utensil. (4)
11. Auntie's money is often directed to a home for them. (5, 4)
12. Brush and sand make them. (8)
15. Does the starboard hill dweller have any reply to this statement? (9)
19. Steam along the roads. (6)
21. A little hanger-on. (6)
22. Make happy. (5)
23. Little Arthur follows a thousand. (4)
24. Parts for the loser to mix-up. (5)
25. They take years to pass. (4)

Down

2. These nights will be drawing in all too soon. (8)
3. Jack the sailor. (3)
4. Nothing this is how light supper is sometimes described. (9)
5. Light on Mr. Ted? (3)
6. Not so good in Abadan. (3)
7. Londoners don't travel in these tubes. (4)
10. Flashy deception to be paid for at the door? (3)
11. His pram makes this vocation. (7) 13. Staircase shape. (6)
14. This is done with a curl of the lip. (5)
16. Blooms on watering cans? (5)
17. Go to it, as the girl said: it sounds like a change. (5)
18. Hurries with the teetotalers outside. (5)
20. Grove of TV fame. (6)

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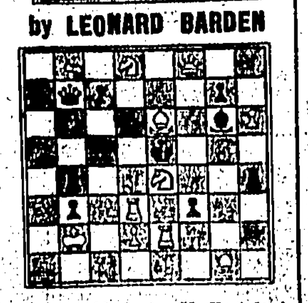
Yesterday's solution

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



A problem by V. Bartolovic (Main-Post, 1955). White mates in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1 R×R!, Q×R; 2 Q-B3, Q-B3; 3 Q-Q3 ch, wins.

• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Early Bid Gets Results

By OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand, an old timer, decided the Eastern Mixed Team Championship of 1933. West was Ted Lightner, still one of America's greatest players. East was the late Mrs S. W. Peck of New York.

In response to Mrs Peck's diamond bid, Lightner opened the suit, and the defence was able to take one diamond, one heart and two spade tricks, thereby setting the contract one trick.

At the other table, Mrs Geraldine Nelson of Boston played four hearts also, but without the disadvantage of a diamond bid by East. The jack of clubs was opened, and Mrs Nelson had time to knock out the ace of trumps. The diamond was then played, but too late. Mrs Nelson won with the ace, drew the rest of the trumps, and discarded her losing diamonds on clubs.

Mrs Peck's two-diamond bid is entirely correct by modern standards. The principle is that when your partner's opening bid is doubled for takeout, and you have a weak hand, bid if you have anything worth showing. Mrs Peck thought her diamonds were worth showing, and they certainly were.

You will find that bids of this nature are satisfactory only if your partner will understand. If your partner is going to consider them as strong bids, find another partner before you start using them.

NORTH 7
♠ 7 4
♥ K J 9 2
♦ A Q
♣ A K Q 6 3

WEST (D)
♠ A Q 9 8 6 5
♥ A 3
♦ 4 3
♣ J 10 9

EAST
♠ 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ K J 10 7 6 5
♣ 8 4 2

SOUTH
♠ K J 10
♥ Q 10 8 7 6
♦ 9 8 2
♣ 7 5

Both sides vul.

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Double	2 ♦	2 ♥
2 ♠	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead—♦ 4

CARD Sense

Q—The bidding has been:

North	East	South	West
1 Spade	Double	?	

You, South, hold:
♠ 3 2 ♥ 5 4 ♦ K J 10 7 6 5 ♣ 8 4 2
What do you do?

A—**Bid two diamonds. This bid does not show strength, merely a diamond suit. You will have no chance to bid later.**

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold:
♠ 10 4 ♥ A Q 9 7 5 ♦ K 8 5 2 ♣ 9 4
What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

HOPES are high at Narkover. "We haven't had a millionaire's son," said a history master, "since the Kutzbok scandal, when young Kutzbok, acting for his father, sold all the school buildings to a syndicate. Luckily, he forged his father's name to the documents, so the deal fell through.

Old Kutzbok commented, "That will teach the young fool that forgery is not as easy as it seems." The boy is said to have been scolded by his father in these terms. "If you must launch out into this dangerous branch of big business, it would be more courteous to keep your dad's name out of it." Mr Hector Koruthalolos is not likely to be compromised in this way, as his 14-year-old son cannot write yet.

Tra-la-la!

ASKED about her marriage plans Trivia Tansy explained that, having married a millionaire while waiting for her fiance to get his divorce from her second husband's third wife, she had fallen in love again with her first husband, but as he had married her third husband's first wife, things were, at present, rather complicated. "Anyhow," she said, "we're all good friends."

Her first ball

YOU run as fast as you can in every direction, jumping and shouting, while the band develops the off-beat idiom. An inner circle of dancers runs round and round in one direction, then, as the rhythm hots up, in the other direction. The outer circle still darts this way and that, groups integrating as they collide. The whole pattern changes continually, and gives a kaleidoscopic idea of mass movement independent of the music.

(Instructions for the Kona-dance.)

Giving youth a chance

RUNAMOK, the Eskimo child-writer, who is in the "Anthology of Contemporary Eskimo Poetry" at the age of 12, has a rival. "Baby" Drooling, aged five, has written a remarkable article described as "a passionate plea for misunderstood babies, the victims of cradle-frustration." Here is a sentence from it: "As I grow older I realise that adults are incapable of understanding the complicated mental processes of a baby. Yet we babies are the adults of tomorrow."

TARGET

D	O	T
Y	I	S
I	L	T

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there *must* be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 19 words, *good*; 22 words, *very good*; 28 words, *excellent*. Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Adept adit adopt adore adroit adze aired aped apod arid dare dart date dater daze dear depart depot depot diaper diet diopter dire dirt doat doer dolt dope dote dose drape drip droit drop edit editor idea lizard oared opiated opted orated oread paid paired pared parotid parted peridot period petard pied pirated pored ported prated pride prized prod proteid radio raid raited raped rapid rated rated read rede repaid ride rioted road rods roped taped tared tepid tide tied triade tired toad toed toped torpid trade TRAPEZOID (i.e., four-sided figure with no parallel sides) tread triad tried triode tripod tred.

WOMANSENSE

HOW TO GET ALONG WITH YOUR HUSBAND—1

● How big a success do you make of your husband? He may be no Apollo to look at, no Casanova in his love-making, and no Rossano Brazzi in charm, but he is yours. And, failing death or divorce, he is yours for life.

● So, for the sake of your own happiness, health and well-being, it is up to you to make the very best of him.

● But how? There is no formula that fits every marriage. But sound advice does help. EILEEN ASCROFT has prepared a special series of articles; with the help of doctors, psychologists, marriage counsellors and some of the happily-marrieds, she will be tackling each day one of the main causes of trouble in the average home.

MONEY... That's THE Marriage Bogey

By EILEEN ASCROFT

NO marriage is perfect. How dull it would be if it were. No marriage is easy. It is about the most difficult relationship in life.

Lord Byron's heartery of long ago—"It is easier to die for the woman one loves than to live with her"—applies all too often to the modern male. But nearly every marriage can be happy if you put enough into it.

Do not expect one long dream of Romance. It can't last. That is the reason why so many Hollywood weddings end up on the rocks.

But learning to live successfully with your chosen partner, and working together for a mutual happy home, is a fascinating task for any woman.

Biggest bogey among marriages that go wrong is undoubtedly MONEY.

THE MENACE

That may surprise the happily adjusted, but ask any matrimonial court worker or marriage guidance counsellor. They will soon tell you that bickering over family finances, worry over budgets that won't meet, selfishness in one partner or the other, are a bigger marriage menace than seductive blondes or dark-haired Romeos.

One of the surest ways of creating disharmony in the home is to nag about the money earned by the bread-winner. We all dream of what we could do with a slightly large income, but nothing undermines a man's self-pride and confidence more than a complaining wife.

Another thing. Many men are capable of only a certain amount of physical or brain fatigue. If they try to do more sickness can result. And what woman with a conscience wants to feel that her constant demands may be shortening her husband's life?

If you work, too, how much should you contribute to the home? I consulted a well-known psychiatrist on this point, who is also a marriage guidance counsellor.

A MISTAKE

"It is bad for a man's self-esteem if the wife pays the rent or the housekeeping expenses," he says. "Far better for her to pay the extras, like buying things for the home, small food luxuries, and to contribute towards family holidays."

Fair division of the family income often leads to disagreement. This point came up again and again at our recent Housewives' Conference.

A woman who works full time in her home is entitled to a small allowance of her own.

So many young wives make this mistake, when their marriage is young and starry-eyed, of not seeing that they have a regular proportion for themselves.

What is a fair proportion of family income for the wife's pin money? I say it is this: *After all household and educational expenses have been budgeted for and allowance made for insurance, holidays and joint entertainment, what is left should be divided between husband and wife as pocket money.*

It may be a very little amount, but it will cut out resentment and bad feeling in the home.

THE BEST WAY

What is the best way to achieve an increase in personal spending money or housekeeping without argument?

Where understanding is complete, this is an unnecessary worry. But sometimes it is not and an obstinate or selfish husband may be hard to convince.

Giving him examples of other husbands will only enrage him; comparisons with what you could earn if you went out to work would do the same.

Facts and figures are most effective with men. Keep a detailed account for one month of every essential item you need to spend, then produce it quietly one evening, when he is in a relaxed frame of mind. Many a wise woman has won her point this way—and preserved family harmony.

And remember thanks and praise will sweeten the extra strain on his pocket!

ONE ANSWER

Some husbands, however, are not even influenced by facts and figures. With this type of man, there is only one answer. You must earn a little money of your own. I shall be dealing with this problem in a later article.

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TOMORROW: *How to Quarrel Successfully.*

MAKING IT WORK...

"TAKE an active part in everything your husband does, without interfering," says Mrs Jack Hawkins. "Black marks to the wife who criticises her husband in front of others."

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"APPROACH marriage with an adult mind," advises Google Withers. "The pitfalls are as important as the pleasures."

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"ANY man can desire what he has not got," says Sir Beverley Baxter, M.P. "But marriage is a more subtle affair in which two people must desire what they already possess. Therefore it is an art of much delicacy which brings rewards far beyond the novelty of haphazard relationships."

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"NEVER take anything for granted," is the No. 1 rule of Armchair Detective Ernest Dudley. Rule No. 2 is: "Always try to remember not to be bad-mannered, even when things go wrong."

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"WE haven't any secrets. We read each other's letters and hear each other's phone calls"... a message from last year's Cinderella bride, Fiona Campbell-Walter.

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"FIRST and foremost, feed him well"—so says Lady Churchill, who has been her husband's constant companion for 48 years.

VEGETABLES AND EGGS MAKE GOOD ENTREES

By Ida Bailey Allen

"EGGS are plentiful, Chef," I said. "I believe our readers would be glad to learn some different ways to combine them with vegetables into substantial dishes for dinner.

"Here are several different egg and vegetable combinations that are excellent entrees.

"For instance, sliced hot hard-cooked eggs, well-seasoned with butter, salt and black pepper, mixed with chopped green scallions and tops, served with spinach and potato patties. Start the meal with a red bean soup, and finish with a deep-dish apple-raisin pie.

"What more do you need?

"Another good combination is eggs scrambled with butter-fried crumbled oysters, served on toast, then generously topped with chopped celery. Excellent with sliced tomatoes on lettuce with dill French dressing."

"There's almost no end to the good entrees to be made with eggs and vegetables," the Chef agreed.

"First comes the French omelette, often filled with asparagus, spinach, fried onions or mushrooms. Also, I like to serve poached eggs on toast topped with an interesting vegetable such as broiled egg-plant or tomato slices, onions and green peppers saute, asparagus tips or whole green beans in Danish sauce. A garnish of crisp bacon is a good finish.

"However, it is this Chef's considered opinion that for an all-round substantial platter, an egg - vegetable - and-rice-curry tops them all."

Dinner

Grapefruit
Tossed Salad of
Lettuce-Celery-Radish
Egg-Vegetable-Curry-and-
Rice Platter
Mince Apple Pie or
Fresh Pears
Coffee Tea Milk
All measurements are level
Recipes Proportioned to Serve 4 to 6

Egg-Vegetable-Curry-and-Rice Platter: This consists of curried eggs, flaky rice and curried vegetables prepared separately and arranged together on a heated large deep platter.

Hard-cook 6 fresh eggs; shell and halve. Add curry sauce.

Heap buttered flaky rice on a heated large platter. Top with the eggs. Surround with curried mixed vegetables. Serve very hot.

Curry Sauce: In a small frying pan, melt 1 tbsp. butter or margarine.

Peel and slice 1 medium-sized onion and 1 carrot; saute slightly.

Add 1 tbsp. curry powder and 1 chopped peeled small tart apple. Saute 1 min.

Stir in ¾ c. tinned tomato, ½ c. boiling water, ½ bouillon cube, 1 chopped sweet pickle and 1 tsp. chopped chutney (optional). Simmer 5 min.

Curried Vegetables: Use a combination of cold cooked vegetables, such as diced carrots, rutabagus, potatoes, parsnips, celeriac or celery, green beans, green limas or green peas.

Add ¾ tbsp. vinegar, 1 tsp. salt and ½ tsp. curry powder.

In a large frying pan, melt 2 tbsp. butter or margarine. In it, half-fry 1 sliced peeled onion and 1 crushed peeled section garlic. Stir in the vegetables; saute lightly.

Suggestion of the Chef

Pass whipped cream cheese to spread on whole fresh pears to be sliced at the table.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Knarf To The Rescue

—He Saved a Fragile Friend From a Bad Accident—

By MAX TRELL

TEDDY, the Stuffed Bear, heard the voice first. He listened for a moment or two.

"Look at me! Just look at me! I'm not afraid of falling! Just come and look at me!

The voice seemed to be coming out of the Mother Goose Book on the bottom shelf of the bookcase.

"It's Humpty-Dumpty!" Teddy said to himself. "He's climbing up to the top of the wall again! He'll fall off!"

Sleeping Shadows

Then Teddy toddled across the room in alarm, and woke up Knarf and Hanid, the shadow children with the turned-about names, who were asleep in their corner.

"It's Humpty-Dumpty! He's sitting on the edge of the wall!" said Teddy.

Knarf and Hanid sprang to their feet.

They darted across the room and squeezed themselves behind the bookcase. Behind the bookcase all the books had doors. They raced into the door marked Mother Goose.

Teddy, the Stuffed Bear, couldn't go with them. He was too fat.

Knarf and Hanid found themselves on a garden path. At the end of the path was a high stone wall. On the top of the wall, laughing and rocking from side to side, was Humpty-Dumpty.

He looked like an egg.

The fact of the matter was, he was an egg!

Humpty-Dumpty kept shouting "Come Here, Knarf! Come here, Hanid! Aren't I brave to sit on this wall! Ho-ho! Just look at me!"

"You'll fall off!" Hanid cried. "Come down off that wall at once!"

"Oh, no," said Humpty-Dumpty, smiling more than ever and rocking harder than ever. "I like it up here."

"But you'll fall and break."

"I may be an egg," said Humpty-Dumpty, "but I won't break. I'm good and hard on the outside. Besides," he added, leaning over and whispering, "if I should break, the King has promised to send all his horses and all his men. They'll put me together again."

"But they can't put you together again!" cried Knarf. "Nobody can put you together again!"

Humpty - Dumpty laughed loudly and rocked more and more.

The two Shadows glanced at each other. Suddenly Knarf said to Hanid in low voice: "I'll be right back!" Then he ran off.

He's Safe

"The very idea of being afraid that I'll fall off," Humpty-Dumpty was saying to Hanid. "Why, I'm as safe on this wall as you are in a rocking chair!"

With that he gave himself an extra big rock—and lost his balance.

"Here I come!" shouted Humpty-Dumpty as he started falling. "Catch me if you can!"

But at that instant, Knarf returned with an armful of straw. He threw it quickly on the ground at the foot of the wall. Humpty-Dumpty plumped right down in it.

"Are you all right?" Hanid asked anxiously as she bent over him.

"Of course, I'm all right. Not a crack in me. I told you nothing would happen to me if I fell off that wall. You worry too much about me. Just put me back on that wall, will you?"

But Knarf and Hanid refused to do that. They left him sitting in the straw, which was the safest place for an egg like Humpty-Dumpty to be.

Humpty-Dumpty was laughing and rocking back and forth.

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Rupert and the Windy Day—36

The passage goes on and on and no further troubles occur. "Two things make me feel hopeful," mutters the man. "First, this passage has been going uphill. Then, the air is quite fresh here, fresher than it was in that underground hall. And look, look, there are some more steps."

Rupert runs forward. "Oh dear, a lot of stuff has fallen here too. The way up is blocked. No it isn't. There's a crack at one side. I do believe I could get in." He squeezes inside. Then, as he looks up, he gives a start. "I can see some daylight overhead!" he cries.

Another Rupert Adventure—
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Tax-Free Benefits For League Soccer Players On Level With Cricketers?

By ARCHIE QUICK

Sport is changing as all things do in this ever-changing world. The Football Association is seriously considering lifting the ban on players and officials engaging in pools betting, and the Football League toy with the ideas of a Fourth Division and tax-free benefits for players to bring them on a level with cricketers.

The Royal and Ancient Golf Club announce regional qualifying competitions for the Amateur Championship instead of accepting nominations. Above all the MCC Special Committee appointed for the purpose has at last presented a seven point plan for brightening a game which has been rapidly falling asleep.

All three football changes would be welcome. Only blindfolded legislators would fail to see the pools coupons which are eagerly studied every Saturday night by the majority of players and officials. The rule amendment would only bring something currently underhand out into the open and officially legalise it.

The Fourth Division practically everybody wants to give League Soccer a shot in the arm. The only people dubious about the idea are the First and Second Division clubs who eye the scheme of greater promotion and relegation with suspicion and trepidation. For footballers to have tax-free benefits would only obviate the anomalous position of making fowl of one professional sportsman and fish of the other.

OTHER LINES

The MCC reforms throw increased responsibility on the umpires which is a bad thing because they have too much to think about just now. For them to additionally have to judge what is and what is not time-wasting and decide other lines of demarcation will make their duties onerous indeed. Some counties, too, are going to be badly hit if they are each restricted to two overseas players. Warwickshire, Somerset, Northamptonshire and Leicestershire, for instance.

Shorter boundaries are welcome, and so is the restricting of on-side fielders to five with not more than two behind the wicket. Yet even with those negative bowlers will still be able to slow down the game, if they wish, and they certainly will wish if another proposal to tie a first innings down to 85 overs goes through.

A knock-out competition is another good idea. In fact, anything that can shake cricket out of the run-getting coma it has fallen into this winter in South Africa is a good idea.

That the MCC Special Committee consisted of representatives of all the first class counties bar two should ensure that the recommendations will go through and operate the summer after next.

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Half a century is a long bridge to span, but the years between the break of the twentieth century and the present day will fall away when seven players who appeared in the first Royal Navy versus Army match at Queen's Club, London, in February 1907 meet at the annual dinner of the Combined Services Rugby Union on March 2.

Despite the passage of fifty years there are still twelve survivors of the thirty men who played in that inaugural game, and seven of them intend to be at the dinner. From the Army they will be Brigadier G. C. Gowlland RE and Lieut.-Col. J.E.C. Partridge, Welch Regiment, and the Royal Navy is to be represented by Rear Admiral S. P. Start, Captain T. E. Hughes, Vice Admiral Sir Harold Brown, Vice Admiral A. R. Palmer and Rear Admiral S. B. Watson.

Living, but absent, will be Major-General Sir Basil Hill, Lieut.-Col. C.T.H. Robinson, RAMC and Group Captain W. C. Wilson, ex-Leicestershire Regiment, from the Army, and Captain N. H. Rankin and Commander J. N. Benbow, of the Royal Navy. Sir Basil Hill, who was once in the Royal Marines, but became Director of Ordnance Services, is wintering in South Africa, Group Captain Wilson had a prior engagement, and Colonel Robinson, who lives in Dublin, is unwell.

MORE THAN ONCE

The Royal Navy and Army met twice in 1907 and the sailors won on each occasion—by 15 points to 14 and by 15 points to nil. Strangely enough, only Rear Admiral Watson played against the Army more than once. Star of the opening match was Lieut. A.H. Orr, who scored two fine tries, and kept immediate and famous opponent Lieut. Basil McLear in subjection. Lieut. Orr, as a member of the London Scottish, was "capped" five times by Scotland as a centre three quarter in the 1903-4 season. Rear Admiral Start was also an International, playing for England against Scotland in 1907.

Three other Navy Internationals in that 1907 match, but since dead, were G. H. D'Oyly Lyon, full back for England against Scotland and captain against the touring Australians in 1909; K. N. Lapage, who appeared against Ireland, Scotland, Wales and France for England at three quarter; and L. L. Greig, a member of all the Scottish sides from 1906 to 1908.

Those were great days for the United Services, for in addition to that galaxy of talent, soon after there came Davies and Kershaw, Sellars, Forrest, Bolton, Harrison, Agnew, Gardner, Luddington, to mention just a few of the giants of that era and just afterwards.

Douglas Insole Heads Batting Averages In The Test Series

Capetown, Mar. 6.

Douglas Insole, the Essex captain, who changed his mind and toured South Africa after saying he would not be available, headed England's batting averages in the Test series which ended yesterday.

In ten innings, he scored 312 with a highest knock of 110 not out. Helped by two not out innings, he had an average of 39.

The failure of Peter May, England's captain, was in striking contrast to his remarkable success in previous Test series against Australia and South Africa.

In ten innings, he scored 153 runs (highest 61) for an average of 15.30. May had figures of 72.75 against South Africa in 1955 and 90.60 against Australia in England last year.

Peter Richardson, the highest scorer with 369 runs in ten innings, was second with 36.90. Colin Cowdrey was third with 33.10. All rounder Trevor Goddard had the best batting average for South Africa with 33.30.

Trevor Bailey was England's leading bowler with 19 wickets at 12.21, but Johnny Wardle took most wickets with 26 at 13.8.

Fast bowler Neil Adcock topped the bowling for South Africa with 21 wickets at 14.90, but off spinner Hugh Tayfield took more wickets in a series than any other South African bowler.

He took 37 wickets for 630 runs at 17.18 to finish in second place.

ENGLAND'S BATTING

	I	N.O.	H.S.	R	Aver.
D. Insole	10	2	110 not out	312	39.00
P. Richardson	10	0	117	369	36.90
C. Cowdrey	10	0	101	331	33.10
T. Bailey	10	0	80	259	24.90
D. Compton	10	0	64	242	24.20
T. Evans	10	0	62	164	16.40
P. May	10	0	61	153	15.30
G. Lock	2	0	14	26	13.00
F. Tyson	4	0	23	48	12.00
J. Wardle	7	1	22	68	11.33
B. Statham	7	3	12 not out	35	10.75
J. Laker	9	3	17	40	6.66
P. Loader	7	1	13	34	5.66

BOWLING

	O	M	R	W	Aver.
T. Bailey	142.3	43	292	19	12.21
F. Tyson	49.0	14	100	8	12.50
J. Wardle	139.6	37	359	26	13.80
B. Statham	130.1	20	349	14	24.92
J. Laker	145.1	46	324	11	29.45
P. Loader	121.0	27	291	9	32.33

SOUTH AFRICA'S BATTING

	I	N.O.	H.S.	R	Aver.
T. Goddard	10	0	69	333	33.30
R. Mclean	10	0	100	309	30.90
K. Funston	6	0	44	133	22.16
J. Waite	10	2	61	169	21.12
C. Van Ryneveld	10	2	36	166	20.75
R. Endean	10	0	70	158	15.80
H. Keith	6	0	42	90	15.00
H. Tayfield	9	2	24	91	13.00
A. Pithey	6	0	25	74	12.33
McGlew	2	0	14	21	10.50
A. Taylor	2	0	12	18	9.00
J. Watkins	4	1	9	24	8.00
C. Duckworth	4	0	13	28	7.00
P. Heine	9	2	17	45	6.42
N. Adcock	9	2	17	42	6.00

BOWLING

	O	M	R	W	Aver.
N. Adcock	140.5	30	313	21	14.90
H. Tayfield	286	105	630	37	17.18
T. Goddard	216.3	61	370	15	24.66
P. Heine	184	33	517	18	28.72
C. Van Ryneveld	47	6	149	4	40.50

— China Mail Special.

Dai Dower To Meet Perez On March 23?

Buenos Aires, Mar. 6.

No definite date has yet been arranged for the World Flyweight title fight between Dai Dower, the British Champion, and Pascual Perez, Argentinian holder, but it will take place here on either March 23 or March 30.

Lazaro Koci, manager of Perez, who told Reuter this today, added that Dower had been granted leave by the army authorities.

Local press reports claimed that Dower, a lance corporal in the British army, might be refused leave.—China Mail Special.

Australians For Asian Games Endorsed

Melbourne, Mar. 7.

The proposed discussions on the entering of Australian athletes in the Asian Games in Tokyo in June 1958 were endorsed today by Harry Gordon, sportswriter of the newspaper Sun Pictorial.

"Australia's future is bound up with Asia," said Gordon. "Admittedly, the Tokyo Games come only in a matter of weeks before the Empire Games in Cardiff, but teams from Pakistan and India will compete in both."

The suggestion that Australia should send goodwill teams to Southeast Asia will be discussed during the National Amateur Athletic Union conference on Thursday and Friday.—United Press.

Boat Race Trial By Oxford U.

London, Mar. 6.

Oxford University towed a full trial today over the 4¼ miles course from Putney to Mortlake in preparation for the Boat Race against Cambridge University on March 30.

It was a long, steady row without any sprints and was clocked at 19 minutes 28 seconds.

Oxford showed exceptional strength when paced by school crews, and their new style of rowing made them look potentially the best Oxford crew for several years. — China Mail Special.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:

(1) Footballing prowess

(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

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of the ..... Club.

(Signed) .....

SPORTS ROUND-UP

REFEREE ISSUES A WRIT AGAINST THE BOARD

Ben Green, 72-year-old referee who had his licence withdrawn by the British Boxing Board of Control after giving Peter Waterman the verdict over Kid Gavilan, has issued a writ against the Board. Says Green, "My main interest is to clear my own good name."

Bernard Streten, Luton goalkeeper who holds the rare distinction of having gained both amateur and professional caps for England, will retire at the end of this season. Streten has played in 276 league games for Luton.

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Roger Bannister, first man to run the mile in under four minutes, has received his calling-up papers. He will join the Royal Army Medical Corps, in March, to begin his National Service.

WORLD RECORD

Johnny Longden, the 47-year-old British born jockey, has just ridden his 5000th winner at Santa Anita. Longden, who has been racing for 30 years, last year beat Gordon Richards' world record of 4,870 winners in 34 years of racing.

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Eric Evans, England rugby captain, is killing two birds with one stone. He is the physical training instructor to English League Champions Manchester United, and keeps himself in trim as well as helping United in their bid for a soccer triple — the League, FA Cup and the European Cup. Evans plays his 25th international for England, against Scotland, on March 16.

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Archie Moore, World Light-Heavyweight Champion, will defend his title in Detroit in June. His opponent will be the winner of the Chuck Spieser—Tony Anthony fight on April 5. —*(London Express Service).*

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Sports Diary

TODAY

Meeting

Executive Committee of HKAAA at Education Dept. 6.30 p.m.

Soccer

Exhibition soccer: Army v South China at HKFC, 3 p.m.

Athletics

Minor Units Athletic Meet at Boundary Street, 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY

Soccer

Div. 1: St. Joseph's v Kwong Wah (CH) 4 p.m.; Navy v RAF (Navy) 4 p.m.; CAA v Sing Tao (BS) 4 p.m.

Div. 2: B & S v Jardines (CH) 2.30 p.m.; RAF Sai Wan v REME (Navy) 2.30 p.m.; RAMC v Solicitors (BS) 2.30 p.m.; Dockyard v Taikoo (HV) 3 p.m.; Telephone v CMB (HV) 4.30 p.m.

Div. 3: C & W v Hollandia (HV) 2 p.m.; Dodwell v Rediffusion (HV) 4.30 p.m.; Merchantile v RIL (HV) 4.30 p.m.

Cricket

Div. 1: RAF v Army South; Scorpions v CCC; KCC v Optimists; Recreio v HC; Army North v Police.

Div. 2: Army South v RAF; Police v Army North; SGVV v Navy; HSU v Recreio; Dockyard v University "A".

Athletics

Major Units Athletic Meet Boundary Street 10.30 a.m. EYMCA Open Meeting, Kings Park 2 p.m.

Rugby

Blarney Stone quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals.

Racing

Ninth Annual Race Meeting, (third day). Happy Valley noon.

Aston Villa In FA Cup Semi-Finals

Birmingham, Mar. 6.

Aston Villa reached the semi-finals of the English Football Association Cup today when they beat Burnley 2-0 in their sixth round replay here.

Villa meet their Midland's neighbour, West Bromwich Albion, in the semi-final at Wolverhampton on March 23.

Both teams have reached the semi-finals round 15 times—one more than any other club.

Power play in heavy conditions gained Villa a well deserved victory today. Burnley's little forwards floundered in the mud against a heavy tackling defence.

Johnny Dixon, inside-left, gave Villa a half time lead with a goal after 18 minutes and left-winger Peter McParland scored the second in the 69th minute.

Manchester United showed their all round strength today when they fielded seven reserves in a 2-1 away victory over Everton in the League.

United now hold a six points lead with one game in hand over their nearest League challengers, Preston North.—China Mail Special.

HOME RUGGER

London, Mar. 6.

Results of today's two Rugby Union matches were: Oxford University 9, Royal Air Force 6.

Army Cup Final: First Battalion Welch Regiment 3, First Training Regiment Royal Signals 15.—Reuter.

WORLD OF SPORT

Althea Gibson Will Make All Out Bid To Capture A Wimbledon Title

By DEREK JOHN

Althea Gibson, the girl from Harlem, will make an all-out bid this year to become the first coloured player to win a Wimbledon title.

Says Althea: "I'm going to miss the hard courts tournaments in Europe so that I can get as much practice as I can on grass."

Rosalind Rowe, one half of the world's most famous table tennis partnership—the Rowe twins—is to make a come-back.

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Rosalind—now Mrs Cornett, wife of an English doctor—retired last year, and is now the mother of a four-months-old baby. She has decided to team up with her sister again at the English Open Championships at Wembley in April to defend the doubles title which they have held for six years.

WONDER SOCCER TEAM

Ferenc Puskas, star of Hungary's wonder soccer team, has decided, along with nine team mates of the Honved club, not to return to Hungary as long as the country is ruled by its present regime.

The players and their families are staying in Vienna. They have not yet made their plans for the future. But throughout Europe ambitious club managers are making a beeline for Vienna in the hope of securing the services of the Hungarian soccer wizards.

As the Hungarian Football Association refuses to release the men, they cannot play in league soccer of any other country. But they are wanted as coaches and trainers.

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Motor cycling is the latest sport in which Russia challenges the world. The Soviet Union is to hold a six-days trial in Moscow in July and national teams have been invited to compete.

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Stand by for England showing her way to international rugby honours. They have got the finest pack in thirty years and are all set to heave their way to victory over Scotland at Twickenham on March 16 and so take the Triple Crown.

Yet only two years ago when the four home countries combined to send a touring party to South Africa, England could contribute only two to the 15 forwards chosen. And one of those was born in South Africa.

Now England's mighty eight on their own compare favourably with any pack in the world.

LEADING SCORER

Doug Insole, vice-captain and leading scorer of England's Test team in South Africa, may fit a soccer Cup Final at Wembley between cricket in South Africa and the coming season in England.

Insole plays outside-right for amateur club Corinthian Casuals. Last year, they got into the Amateur Cup Final, but were beaten by Bishop Auckland. This year they have reached the semi-final to be played on March 16.

A week before that date, Insole flies into London after playing in the last Test in South Africa. He does not expect to replace anyone who has been playing regularly, but should an injury demand a replacement, Insole will be ready to step in.

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New house getting built in Petts Wood, Kent. Name: The Tavern, after the Tavern at Lord's.

The owner: Colin Cowdrey.

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Australian lawn tennis may lose its place in the sun. The idea is to play big tournaments under floodlights rather than during the day.

The Australian lawn tennis authorities have been casting envious eyes at the big crowds at the recent professional shows of Jack Kramer's professional "circus" under lights.

A MISSED PUTT

A missed putt and the language that follows can in future prove expensive for American golf professionals.

American golfing bosses have drawn up a code of conduct. This prohibits, on pain of a fine, bad language on the course, whether directed at anyone or anything—bunkers and clubs included.

Players can also be fined for disfiguring or gouging the course, particularly the greens. —*(London Express Service).*

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World Title Fight Postponed

Chicago, Mar. 6.

The World Middleweight title fight between Gene Fullmer, the Champion, and Sugar Ray Robinson, has been postponed one week from April 24 to May 1, it was announced here today.

The change was requested by television sponsors.—Reuter.

NONCHALANCE APPEARS TO ACT WELL ON FIRM LINCOLN GOING

Says RICHARD BAERLEIN

The danger of ante-post betting on this year's Lincoln is, apart from the question of the draw, dependent upon the state of the going. In view of the weather experienced so far this winter, it would be natural to expect a dry March—and this would completely rule out last year's second, River Line.

On the assumption that a fit sprinter can win this race, Jack Jarvis' charge Nonchalance has to be seriously considered. His longest winning distance to date is seven furlongs and he won over that distance at Hurst Park at the end of last season, having gone through 1955 and most of 1956 without a victory.

He was a more than useful two-year-old when he won six of his ten races. His sire, Le Lavandou, won the Portland Handicap at Doncaster.

He was essentially a five-furlong horse and has been noted as the sire of five-furlong horses. That is why Nonchalance may have difficulty in staying a mile, but he appears to act well on firm going. Soft going will count against him.

Not being entirely in love with racing, he may well show his best form first time out, but it would be better to wait until the day in his case to find out exactly what the going is like.

Dionisio, promoted to favouritism the other night, can act on firm going while all going appears to come alike to the Cambridgeshire winner Loppilugs. Tudor Jinks will not be suited to top of the ground but, on good or soft going, I shall expect him to play a prominent part.

SURPRISING

Precious Heather, with whom the bookmakers are taking no chances, is another who appears to act on any going, but, in his case, there is a doubt about him staying the distance for he is by the purely sprinting sire, Golden Cloud.

Idle Rocks went through last season without reaching the first three, but he is holding a prominent position at present in the market.

This is surprising in view of the dislike he has for racing. Mountain Music, who has a coming appearance in the betting, can act on the firm ground, but it has always appeared that he is a better horse on the soft.

A mile appears to be his best distance and he is a very useful handicapper who could easily win such a race as this. However, a careful survey of the fancied horses suggests that there can be nothing gained at the moment by ante-post betting on the Lincoln Handicap.

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The market on the Cheltenham Gold Cup appears to offer a reasonable bet at the moment. The other day I suggested that Rosati, at 6-1, was the safest Champion Hurdle investment at the present time, especially in view of the probability of a fortnight's dry weather.

For the Gold Cup, the Grand National winner, E.S.B., is quoted at 10-1 and, as the concession of one-eighth the odds for place doubles on the Champion Hurdle and the Gold Cup is offered, this means that a double of Rosati and E.S.B. returns 60-1 to win and 7½-1 a place.

I regard the place double as being particularly favourable for an examination of the Gold Cup acceptors makes it appear very unlikely that a fit E.S.B. can be kept out of the first three.

FAILED

Sam Brownborn, the present favourite, failed in Ireland recently and has always been something of a "talking horse," having risen to the top of the tree without any spectacular performance to justify this. Lochrpe is not likely to stay the 3¼ miles up the Cheltenham Hill, though he has won over three miles and a furlong.

Pointsman cannot be relied upon to jump well and in spite of his victory at Kempton he is not a Cheltenham horse. Gay Donald has still to prove a come-back. Linwell will be outclassed and Kerstin comes out several pounds behind Lochroe on the book.

TWO HURDLERS

Rose Park may fail to stay while the two hurdlers Sir Ken and Stroller have still got to prove themselves in the top flight over fences. There is not one horse mentioned here about whom one could say with any confidence that he will be placed in the Gold Cup with the exception of E.S.B.

Even if the Grand National winner was lucky to win last time out he has never been out of the first three this season, and has been steadily improving. The National handicapper has placed him above all horses except Quare Times, and level with Rose Park.

Therefore 10-1 must represent a very fair price for an each way investment, and I do not expect the odds against Rosati and E.S.B. to be as favourable on the day as they are at the moment, provided all goes well with them.

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THE GAMBOLS . . . by Barry Appleby

SOCCER NEWS

SIR GEORGE GRAHAM GIVES BRITAIN'S SOCCER BOSSES A NEW CUP PLAN

By JAMES CONNOLLY

Sir George Graham, veteran Scotti sh FA secretary, has given Britain's soccer bosses a new cup plan to consider. Also the news that he is prepared to present the trophy. The Graham plan is for the cup winners of England, Ireland, and Scotland, plus the Welsh team best placed in the Football League, to compete annually for a British Cup.

The scheme was talked over by the FA secretaries in Paris the other week. Ireland and Wales were particularly enthusiastic.

The competition would be run as a close-season soccer week, with each country staging it in turn. Gates would be pooled, with equal shares for all.

Final details could be decided, Sir George feels, by an international committee with each country represented.

The plan comes before the Football Associations of Britain when they meet next June.

There would be two first-round matches, with the winners playing off for the trophy and the losers for third and fourth places.

If the associations accept the proposals Sir George will suggest that the first tournament is held in Scotland in May 1958, and thereafter in London, Cardiff, and Belfast in that order.

ANNUAL BENEFIT

Although the British Cup might look like an annual benefit performance for Cardiff City, the scheme is sound enough, and would stand as a fitting memorial for the 45 years' tireless work Sir George, who retires this year, has given to football.

Courageous Royston Swinbourne fights to save his soccer career—in the Wolves third team.

Swinbourne was an England probable until he got a knee injury in December 1955. The doctors are hopeful that he can come back to the big time.

Their advice to Swinbourne was to play his way out of trouble. Each time he plays there is a slight swelling on the injured knee.

The idea is that with constant exercise of competitive soccer the swelling will get smaller until it finally disperses.

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Forewarned! Before their Bournemouth Cup disaster, Spurs had a full-scale practice game at Cheshunt when the reserves were briefed to play like Bournemouth!

I have to report that the reserves licked the first team 4-1.

UP FOR SALE

Lincoln City, I am sure, will put Young England left-half Dick Neal up for sale in the next few weeks.

Neal wants First Division football. Lincoln rate him at £20,000-plus.

The big spenders, including Arsenal, were there to see him against the Scots at Ibrox on Tuesday. Two former Arsenal captains have recommended Neal to Highbury.

Arsenal will be first to bid for the rangy, 22-year-old ex-Wolves "A" team player.

But Birmingham City are just as keen, and Neal is married to a Birmingham girl. On the outside, just wondering if they can afford to bid, are Manchester City.

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Reward for Oliver "Narker" Norris, controversial 27-year-old hero of Bournemouth's amazing Cup run, may well be an Irish international cap. Manager Freddie Cox has recommended Norris to the selectors, who have promised to watch him as soon as possible.

Ulster-born Norris, a former Middlebrough player, joined Bournemouth from Southern League Worcester City two years ago at a purely nominal fee.

Thrusting, goal-conscious and always ready to use his initiative, Norris plays in any of the three inside forward positions.

FAIRLY CERTAIN

Coventry City are fairly certain to find the goalkeeper replacement for £22,000 Reg Matthews in Scotland.

They want Charlie Drummond, of Raith Rovers. The Scottish club will do business—but not until they are out of the Cup. Since they look like getting into the semi-final, Coventry may have quite a wait.

Meantime Coventry might be selling. Both Preston and Newcastle fancy hard tackling Roy Kirk, who has asked for a move from City.

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SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

Birmingham City May Sign Dick Neal From Lincoln City

By DAVID JACK

Birmingham City are favourites to sign Dick Neal from Lincoln City for £20,000-plus.

Birmingham will have to bid against half a dozen First Division clubs, but Neal's preference for the Midlands—his wife comes from Birmingham—narrows the list.

Aston Villa are as keen as Birmingham, but Villa's financial problems may force them out of the bidding for the lad who plays left-half for Young England.

Neal joined Lincoln from Wolves six years ago . . . for £1,000. Six years service plus a profit of £20,000 looks like shrewd business to me.

'NET' TALENT

"Now we've balanced the books we can start from scratch." That's Joe Mercer's reply to critics who accuse him of selling the Sheffield United team to build up a big bank balance.

There's logic behind United's transfer-listing of England "B" goalkeeper Ted Burgin. Goalkeepers Burgin, Thompson and Hodgkinson are all good enough for first team duty, and with 19-year-old youth international Alf Ashmore almost ready, the Bramall Lane club have more goalkeeping talent than any team in the country.

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Who said penalty kicks should never be missed? When Aberdeen keeper Reg Morrison stopped George Merchant's spot-kick in the Falkirk Aberdeen Scottish Cup game the other week it was his 21st consecutive penalty save!

Newcastle United have made many strange moves in the transfer market, but I'm not falling for the story that they were prepared to give away £22,000 centre-half Bill Paterson. If any club wants Paterson he's on offer for £5,000.

POMPEY TARGET

Target for Portsmouth is Arthur Fitzsimmons, inside-left of Middlesbro. Arthur could play a big part in Pompey's fight against relegation, but Middlesbro don't want to part with their Irish international.

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Is Tommy Lawton bound for Yeovil Town in succession to former manager Ike Clarke?

Cyril Spiers, manager of Crystal Palace, is writing to the Welsh international selectors about his 21-year-old goalkeeper, Vice Rouse. "There isn't a better young Welsh goalkeeper anywhere," says Spiers.

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Biggest gate of the season at Plymouth Argyle's Home Park is expected on Mar. 9. The attraction? RUGBY game between Devon and Yorkshire—with a possible 35,000 attendance.
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Don Candy Beaten In Singles Final

Kingston, Jamaica, Mar. 6.

Mervyn Rose beat Don Candy in the all-Australian final to the Men's Singles of the St Andrew's invitation international lawn tennis tournament here today by 2-6, 9-7, 6-2.

In the Women's final Darlene Hard (United States) beat Mrs Betty Pratt (Jamaica) 6-2, 6-2.

In the Women's Doubles final Darlene Hard and Brazil's Maria Bueno beat the British Wightman Cup pair Angela Buxton and Shirley Bloom 8-6, 6-0.—China Mail Special.

HOME SOCCER

London, Mar. 6.

Results of Irish Football Cup second round replays today were:

Linfield 2, Glentoran 1.
Portadown 2, Distillery 4.—Reuter.

OLYMPIC ATHLETE TO WED

Brian Hewson, 4-minute miler and one of the British team to compete at last year's Olympics, is to marry a girl who works in the same Piccadilly store as he does. She is Miss Roberta Bassford (22) of West Hampstead.—Central Press Photo.

NOW TURPIN IS STAGGERED BY TAX MAN

Randolph Turpin, highest-paid fighter in the history of British boxing, hits the headlines again. He has tax troubles, but, as he says, "Who hasn't?" Training for his British light-heavyweight title defence against Arthur Howard he jarred a hand — and X-rays revealed a years-old fracture.

Immediately people asked the obvious question: Why should Turpin, who in one fight alone—the second meeting with Sugar Ray Robinson—collected £70,000, continue to fight with a suspect hand unless he is desperately in need of money.

To find the answer I hurried to Turpin's home. And Turpin, the usually reticent, loath-to-talk champion, gave me one of the frankest interviews I can remember from any boxer.

At the tiny terraced house where he is staying with his wife, Gwyneth, and two baby daughters he admitted income-tax problems. He said: "I've just had my tax assessment for 1956-57. They want £5,000. That's more than I earned. I'm sending them £2,000 now and appealing against the rest."

'RATHER BE JOE'

Is it true then that he is in the same unenviable position as Joe Louis?

"No," says Turpin. "Don't call me another Louis although I think I'd rather be him. He owes the American Government so much he can never pay it. Me. I've got to cough up!"

Turpin is still paying off on the palmy days of 1951-53 when he won the world middleweight title and then defended it in New York, earning the highest purse ever paid to a British boxer.

His earnings in a paid career which has now lasted more than ten years cannot fall much below £150,000. He should be a rich man, but is he? "I'm not rich, and I'm not poor," said Turpin. "These earnings aren't what they seem as I've been trying to tell the tax man.

'I'VE PAID £50,000'

"A quarter of everything I've earned has gone to my manager. There have been all sorts of expenses. I have £7,500 invested in a Llandudno hotel. I have my own house in Abergele."

Turpin estimates he must already have paid the income-tax authorities something like £50,000—and they are still asking for more.

"Even so," he said, "I ought to have more in the bank than there is."

Where then has the money gone?

"I loaned various people more than £3,000 when I was on top. Most of them have never bothered to pay me back."

There was also a divorce settlement and a number of unsuccessful business ventures.

Does all this mean that he must go on fighting?

"Not really, although you can always do with a bit more. But I like boxing—it's my hobby and I shall not pack up until the day I reckon I'm no good."

How worried is Turpin at the state of his financial affairs? He certainly does not seem to be unduly harassed. He says: "I'm alive—I'm healthy—I'm happy. You can call me a millionaire!"

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All-Round Sportsman

Dr Farhang Mohtadi is a 31-year-old, Teheran-born lecturer at Birmingham University. His greater claim to fame is his all-round ability as a sportsman. At lawn tennis he coached the Shah, represented his country at Wimbledon, and is a regular member of the Warwickshire County team. At table tennis he has played in seven World Championships, and also has Birmingham and Warwickshire badges.

At basketball he was in the Persian National side in the 1948 Olympic Games. At squash rackets he won his England colours last year, is Midlands title-holder, and has played for Great Britain against South Africa as well as for the Amateurs versus the Professionals. Good at cricket, snooker, and swimming, too!

Four Players Short

Feckenham were four players short for their Redditch (Birmingham) League match against Hopwood. So their enterprising secretary, who had some League forms ready, signed on four supporters who had turned up as spectators. How did Feckenham fare? They were 0-3 down at half time but won 7-3.

CIVIL AID SERVICES ORDERS

No. 6. Orders by the Hon. C. E. Terry, OBE, Commissioner, Civil Aid Services, of March 1, 1957:

1. Congratulatory

The Commissioner CAS congratulates all Teams which took part in the Field Day on Sunday, February 24, 1957, upon their keenness and efficiency.

2. Field Day—Results Of Competitions

Wardens Service:

The Commissioner's Challenge Cup—won by Eastern Zone 'B' Team.

The Leo d'Almada Cup — Western Zone 'A' Team.

The Chief Warden's Shield—Western Zone 'B' Team.

The C. Y. Kwan Cup — Mongkok Zone 'B' Team.

The Manning Cup — Shaukiwan Zone 'A' Team.

The A. E. Osmund Cup—Yaumati Zone 'A' Team.

The F. E. D'Almada Remedios Cup—Kowloon City Zone.

The Todd Challenge Cup—Shaukiwan Zone.

Rescue Service:

The U. See-wing Cup — won by Hongkong Squad No. 6.

The R. H. Lobo Cup — Hongkong Squad No. 4.

Despatch Service:

Results of competitions will announced later.

3. Pay Parades

Personnel of the undermentioned units will report to the CAS Paymaster at CAS Headquarters between 1730 and 1900 hours on the following date (payment will NOT be made unless CAS Identity Card is produced).—9.4.57 (Tuesday)—Transport Section.

4. Pay Parades—Amendment

The Pay Parades notified in CAS Orders No. 5 of February 15, 1957 in respect of undermentioned Units/Zones are cancelled. Pay Parades for these Units/Zones will now take place as follows—the time and place being previously stated. — 11.4.57 (Thursday) — Shamshuipo Zone; 10.4.57 (Thursday) — Despatch Service (Area 4), Rescue Service (Kowloon), Tsimshatsui Zone.

5. Examination Results

(a) The undermentioned attended an examination in General Duties on December 10, 1956 and qualified in that subject:

Central Zone, Passed:

33779, Chung Kau, 34041 Lau Chue-kwok, 35143 Au Foon (Miss), 35146 Chan Chun-yu (Miss), 35196 Wan Ping-wing, 35200 Kwong Shing-tai, 35321 Lee Cho-yee, 35306 Lee Ring-wah, 35309 Leung Kai-hei, 35321 So Kheong-chung, 35329 Cheung Chun-kwok, 35331 Hui Sung-ang, 35345 Mak Hoi-yan, 35350 Chan Yat-ming, 35429 Chow Chiu, 35475 Mak Kwok-cheung, 35490 Wong Ho-hay, 35507 Chan Shiu-wah, 35508 Chan Yiu-kwong, 35514 Lo Kwok-chu, 35521 Ho Po-lin, 35528 Wan Wai-ling (Mrs), 35531 So Kwok-ying, 35532 Ko Wai-kwok, 35562 Lau Chi-hing, 35580 Lui Lok, 35581 Ng Kwok-wai.

Eastern Zone, Passed:

33420 Lee Kwei-wah, 34066 Leung Chee-kow, 34230 Wong Yet-hwa, 34282 Chan Nai-bun, 34297 Miu Chi-shing, 34466 Chau Shing, 34479 Ng Man-took, 34490 Poon Shiu-fun, 34740 Lai Yiu-kai, 35103 Chan Loi-chee.

Shaukiwan Zone, Passed with distinction:

35305 Tse Yuen-yui.

Passed:

34545 Leung Yung, 34626 Chan Yee-chen, 35120 Lee Kai-ki, 35130 Wong Yam-ki, 35251 Lau Ho-wing, 35256 So Chee-man, 35315 Chan Po-lau, 35316 Chong Lai-Kwai (Miss), 35318 Sze Wai-kuen, 35324 Au Fook-wah, 35325 Chan Kwan-lun, 35332 Kwon Che-tao, 35336 Chan Hon, 35341 Kwan Shi-kwan, 35347 Wong Ching-fai, 35348 Ng Yu-lok, 35355 Lau Shi-fan, 35361 Ho Kai-to, 35419 Hung Tan, 35538 Cheung Kwok-chung, 35551 Tse Yeung.

Bay View Zone, Passed with distinction:

35287 Chan Ting-kwok.

Passed:

33431 Lo Man-sing, 34207 Chan Sui-ying (Miss), 34714 Chik Tak-hang, 34730 Wu Man-on, 34877 Cheung Chi-keung, 34892 Cheung Tut-sing, 34902 Yuen Ming, 34961 Yip Ki-chow, 35029 Cheng Churk-wah, 35065 Cheung Kam-hei, 35063 Wong Chu-chai, 35100 Chin Yiu-cheung, 35139 Chung Tak-chow, 35171 Wong Seng, 35267 Ho Man-sze, 35283 Au Wing-cheong, 35286 Ho Man-kit, 35327 So Pui-ming, 35350 Ip Man-tin, 35388 Cheng Kar-leung, 35401 Tang Man-kwong, 35403 Wong Yiu, 35457 Hung Pui-man, 35459 Lam Shek-kun, 35552 Tsang Shau-yoon.

Western Zone, Passed with distinction:

35445 Lee Chun-sang.

Passed:

34106 Lam Fook, 34171 Ming Wai, 34632 Woo Ting-yee, 34749 Yip Po-lam, 34883 Yau Kai-fun, 34895 Tse Kwok-keung, 34899 Tse Yiu-on, 34901 Tsang Phong, 35030 Chan Chee-yum, 35123 Chan Ping-yee, 35170 Cheung Sui-chow, 35187 Lee Kam-fai, R., 35216 Wong Moon-shing, 35222 Chan Chung-chung, 35240 Chan Charm-chuen, 35250 Lo Shu-kee, 35261 Chan King-chung, 35273 Wong Miu-ling (Miss), 35276 Wong Miu-hing (Miss), 35327 Yip Sang, 35375 Kwan Ping-kee, 35382 Chan Lai-wah (Miss), 35402 Yiu Sui-wan (Miss), 35423 Chiu Sien-cheong, E., 35432 Hui Ho-tung, 35436 Luk Bing-kwan.

Upper Levels Zone, Passed:

30804 Tong Poh, 31034 Wong Kee-chol, 31021 Yuen Yuet-liu (Miss), 31703 Wong Lai Kuen (Miss), 3220 Tsui Kwok-chiu, 33417 Tung Shiu-lau, 33760 Yuen Moon-on, 33769 Chu, J., 34359 Law Chun-wing, 34648 Li Yin-fong (Mrs), 34693 Chan Wai-pui, 34694 Chung Lap, 34782 So Chuen-yip, 34945 Tam Chu-bong, 34998 Tam Wing-kwong, 35102 Young Wai-hung, 11.

Tsimshatsui Zone, Passed:

32827 Lee Ping-yue, 33283 Lo Sun-wah, 34600 Lo Kai-shuen, 34677 Lau Lai-lam, 34943 Tang Kong.

Yaumati Zone, Passed:

33173 Chan Tak-hing, 33686 Wong Tak-chee, 35074 Ng Sau-har (Miss), 35113 Lau Yu-foon, 35149 Wong Lin-ying (Miss), 35230 Yip Woo, 35333 Tsui Lai-king (Miss), 35368 Tang Ching-fai, 35379 Tam Shu-sang, 35397 Leung Chi-shan, 35399 Tam Wai-sim (Miss), 35513 Li Yiu-chung, 35590 Cheung Cham, 35606 Yim Tsang, 35610 Yu Kwok-hung, 35611 Cheung Tao-wang, 35623 Hung Yiu-lam.

Mongkok Zone, Passed:

34177 Mok Lang-ling, 34443 Kwok Chung, 34922 Wong Yuk-man, 34964 Leung Kai-wah, 35313 Wong Chung-wong, 35220 Yuen Pak-cheung, E., 35372 Chan Kan, 35303 Lee Kam-hung, 35307 Ng Wing-chi, 35371 Tang Yuen, 35431 Au Wing-cheong, 35468 Tung Tak-chun (Mrs), 3554 Mack Kam-ling, 35647 Yam Yin-lam.

Hunghom Zone, Passed:

34231 Chan Hoi, 34668 Lau Ge-gon, 34826 Cheung Pak-siu, 34910 Kwok Shuk-ling (Miss), 34970 Fong Man-wai, 35004 Ma Shair-cheung, 35153 Hui Lit, 35278 Chan Din-kwan, 35294 Hong Yung-chung, 35359 Choy King-piu, 35360 Hon Chung-yuen, 35400 Wong An-tan, 35413 Chu Kwong-lui, 35484 Liu Chi-keung, 35502 Lau Chi-man (Miss), 35503 Siu Kam-fung (Miss), 35545 Ho Ying-shum, 35554 Ho Chi-wo.

Shamshuipo Zone, Passed with distinction:

34103 Bow Wah-yiu.

Passed:

33879 Chan Yee-man, 34298 Szeto Keung, 34356 Chan Sau-hong, 34674 Ho Yan-kong, 34676 Ng Shiu-wing, 34920 Ho Wai-kwok, 34951 Hung Wing, 35000 Woo Chun-kow, 35043 Wong Wing-yiu, 35151 Cheung Kwok-hung, 35225 Lee Kai-fai, 35353 Chow Chung, 32770 Tam Cheuk-ming, 35411 Chung Kam-fong, 35421 Shau Pak-kai, 35423 Siu Chio-kwai, 35448 Wong Wan-sam, 35455 Chung Wan-leung, 35469 Fung Pin-yung, T., 35471 Lee Chick-kwan, 35482 Young Chung, 35490 Kwok Hon-chi, 35496 Kwok Kam-hung.

Kowloon City Zone, Passed:

34106 Cheung Kam-chuen, 34574 Woo Kam-chuen, 35120 Chb Chun, 35164 Tse Hon-ching, 35204 Nam Jim, 35218 Yuen Yue-chor, 35243 Chan Chuck-lung, 35295 Ho Sau-ming, 35400 Lee Kam-wah, 35425 Tse Hon-pak, 35491 Lam Lui, 35498 Pun Hang, 35548 Wong Che, 35561 Kwan Hon-woo, 35601 Lung Kok, 35609 Lee Chiu, 35331 Wong Shuit-chi, 35335 Tre Yeung-lam, 35364 Tang Fug-ping, 35369 Wong Sik-luk, 35579 Wong King-ying (Miss), 35369 Wong Bum, 35393 Lau Chi-foon, 35394 Sit Yee-shiu.

(b) The undermentioned attended an examination, and qualified, in Basic Fire-Fighting on February 20, 1957:

Bay View Zone

30507 Tong Tung-hoi, 31736 Wong Sik-pui, 31766 Lam Cheuk Wai, 32102 Tsoi Wing-cheung, 32103 Lui Park-Ping, 33061 Ho Kwok-shuen, 33178 Chui Chi-cheung, 34793 Leung Hung-yan.

D. R. W. ALEXANDER,
Chief Staff Officer,
Civil Aid Services.

St. John Ambulance Orders

Orders by Mr Fung Ping-fan, C.St.J., Commissioner of St John Ambulance Brigade, Hongkong District, No. 10/57 dated March 7, 1957.

1. Ambulance Duties—Hongkong.—10.3.57.—16.3.57. Causeway Bay Amb. Div.; 17.3.57.—23.3.57. Western Dist. Amb. Div.; March, 1957: Central Nsg. Div.

2. Ambulance Duties—Kowloon.—11.3.57.—17.3.57. Kong Wah Amb. Div.; 18.3.57.—24.3.57. Shamshuipo Amb. Div.; March, 1957: Waterloo Nsg. Div.

3. Penetration Squad Duties.—10.3.57. Dr Lam Shiu-chun, Dentist Poon Lam-fong, C.S/O C. Hanke and K.Y.M.C.A. Nsg. Div.; 17.3.57. Dr Wong Wah-kwan, Dentist A. J. Staple, D/O Chan Pui-chun and K.Y.M.C.A. Nsg. Div.

4. Orderly Duties At Mainland Area Hqts.—7.3.57. K.Y.M.C.A. Amb. Div.; 8.3.57. Tsimshatsui Amb. Div.; 9.3.57. Shamshuipo Amb. Div.; 10.3.57. Kong Wah Amb. Div.; 11.3.57. Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.; 12.3.57. Mongkok Amb. Div.; 13.3.57. Mongkok Amb. Div.

5. Football Duties. — 9.3.57. 2.30 p.m. S.C.A.A. Ground: S.C.A.A. Amb. Div.; 10.3.57. 2.30 p.m. H.K. Govt. Stadium: Chung Sing Amb. Div.; 10.3.57. 2.30 p.m. Club Ground: Causeway Bay Amb. Div.

6. Race Duties.—9.3.57. At Race Course: Sih Nam Amb. Div. At Headquarters: Shaukiwan Amb. Div.; 30.3.57. At Race Course: Shaukiwan Amb. Div. At Headquarters: Sih Nam Amb. Div.

7. Street Sleepers Shelter Society Duties.—March, 1957: Shamshuipo: Waterloo Nsg. Div.; Western Dist: Mansfuren Nsg. Div.

8. H.K. Society for the Protection of Children—Kowloon.—March, 1957: Shamshuipo Nsg. Div.

9. Taken On Strength.—Enrolment: K.Y.M.C.A., Nsg. Div.: Amb/Sis's Chan Chor-shan and Cheung Po-chu enrolled w.e.f. 20.2.57.: Waterloo Nsg. Div.: Amb/Sis. Leung Sau-hing enrolled w.e.f. 25.2.57.: Taipo Nsg. Div.: Amb/Sis's Chow Choi-ho, Leung Pui-fun, Ng Yuet-fung and Ng Yuet-kum enrolled w.e.f. 24.2.57.

10. Decrease of Strength.—(a) Leave: Mongkok Amb. Div.: D/O Mak Sik-hung leave for 3 months w.e.f. 19.2.57.: (b) Resignation: Mongkok Amb. Div.: Pte. Tse Shek-yim resigned w.e.f. 1.3.57.

(Sgd.) F. J. Terry, C.St.J. (A)
Deputy Commissioner,
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Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 1st March, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at $2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguilar Street and 382, Nathan Road during normal office hours and until 10.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

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ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

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By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

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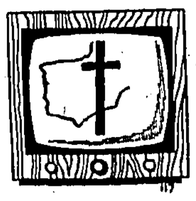

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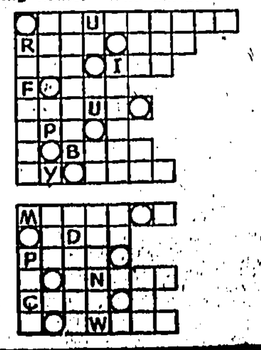

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Movement To Stop Any Intrusions Of Bureaucracy

By IAN DOUGLAS

Wellington, Mar. 6.

A Society, whose members will watch legislation to see that it does not encroach upon the traditional privileges and freedoms of the citizens, has been formed here by a group of 23 Company directors, professional men and farmers.

It will also:

★ 1. "Urge that steps be taken to produce stability in the buying power of all earnings, savings, and pensions"; and

★ 2. "Promote legislation empowering the Supreme Court to disallow or amend any regulation passed by Order-in-Council or any decision of an administrative body which is not, in the opinion of the Court, just and equitable."

Recruiting Hopes

It is called the Constitutional Society for the Promotion of Economic Freedom and Justice in New Zealand and hopes to recruit some 50,000 members.

A spokesman described it as "a gathering together of people, irrespective of any political affiliation, who for a long time have been protesting against the continual intrusion of bureaucracy upon the economic life of the country."

He emphasised that there was no intention of forming a new political party.

The Society expects to gain many members from among pensioners and others who are obliged to live on the proceeds of their savings, and also, according to the spokesman, of those who are prevented by the tenancy laws from obtaining possession of their homes and business premises.

"Very often the machinery for the restriction of liberty is put into motion by hastily-passed legislation, by Orders-in-Council, or by decisions of administrative tribunals before those likely to be affected realise what is happening, and certainly before any effective protest can be made," the spokesman continued. "The new society sees a grave danger in the deliberations and decisions of such bodies as the Capital Issues Committee and the Price Tribunal. It also feels that there is a need for constant vigilance to preserve the independence of the judiciary and the right of appeal from administrative tribunals to the Supreme Court.

Lord Hewart

"Twenty-seven years have passed since Lord Hewart, the then Lord Chief Justice of England, warned the people that there was a persistent influence at work which places a large field of departmental action beyond the control of the Courts of Law. Despite the warnings contained in his book, 'The New Despotism', the process has continued, and it will continue whatever Government is in power, unless something is done now to correct it."

With the population expanding at an ever-increasing rate as more and more immigrants enter the Dominion, it is essential to have a body which will keep constantly before the people those principles of private enterprise which have served so well in the past and which ought not to be whittled away at the whim of economic theorists and planners, the spokesman added.

The new Society hopes to draw up an extensive programme of meetings and to disseminate its views by publishing books, pamphlets and bulletins. It will also appoint research officers to scrutinise legislation and administrative orders.

The formation of the society was welcomed by the New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr Sidney Holland.

"I think it is all to the good that people should come together to think about and discuss the fundamentals of our kind of community, to be continually on the alert for any dangers to our traditional privileges and freedoms," he said. But he added a warning against a move to grant the Supreme Court the wider powers which the Society seeks.

Pending Meeting

"In my view the society would do well to re-examine the implications of this proposal," he stated. "It is well established in our social organisation that the judiciary should be completely independent from control by the executive. It is equally well established that the judiciary should not become involved in political functions. The proposal to impose on the Supreme Court a responsibility for determining whether administrative decisions are just and equitable might conceivably conflict with these principles."

Mr J. H. Luxford, a retired Stipendiary Magistrate and until recently Mayor of Auckland, who has been appointed chief executive officer of the Society pending a general meeting of members, has, however, given an assurance that the Society does not intend to see the Supreme Court over-ruling Parliament. He explained that at present the by-laws made by local authorities can be challenged before the Court if they are considered unreasonable, if they operate unevenly between the classes or are harsh and oppressive. The Society will seek to have the same power extended to regulations passed by Order-in-Council and to the decisions of administrative bodies.

Mixed Feelings

The press greeted the announcement of the formation of the Society with mixed feelings. The New Zealand Herald, of Auckland, expressed the opinion that the aims of the promoters were thoroughly praiseworthy, but doubted whether they had chosen the best way to give them effect. "In New Zealand," it commented, "a political movement can achieve little except by using the ordinary machinery of politics."

Both the New Zealand Herald and The Dominion, the Wellington morning newspaper, were flatly opposed to any proposal to extend the powers of the Supreme Court in the way envisaged by the Society.

Apart from reservations in this connection, The Dominion expressed ready support for the Society. Its aims, it commented, correspond so closely with the professed principles of the National Party, which controls the Government, that its formation might well be interpreted as a move to "ginger up" the administration.

Left Opinion

In other quarters, the advent of the Society is regarded with reserve. The president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce, for example, welcomed the new body as an ally in a common cause, provided that it maintains its independence and does not become subservient to political ends.

From the left, there has been only one comment, offered by the president of the Federation of Labour, Mr F.P. Walsh. "A better name," he declared, "would be the Society for the Protection of Monopolies."—China Mail Special.

Mr Edward Wailes, US Minister in Budapest, arrived with his family in Vienna last week—after having refused to present his credentials to the Kadar Government. He is pictured talking, right, with Ambassador Thompson, following his arrival in Vienna. The Kadar Government had requested the presentation of Mr Wailes' credentials because they had not been presented since he went to Budapest during the revolution. — Express Photo.

Ghana Applies For UN Membership

United Nations, Mar. 6.

Britain will propose tomorrow the admission to the United Nations of Ghana, which became the world's youngest independent nation today, informed sources said.

There was no official announcement, but the Security Council was expected to meet tomorrow to consider Ghana's application for membership. Election to UN membership is by a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly after recommendation by the Security Council.

Ghana would become the UN's 81st member. The United States was prepared to support its application.—United Press.

Menon Home

Bombay, Mar. 6.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, chief Indian delegate to the United Nations, returned here from New York today to begin campaigning in the national elections.

Mr Menon, who is Minister without portfolio, is contesting the Loksabha seat.

The Prime Minister, Mr Nehru said recently that a vote for Mr Menon was a vote for India's non-alignment foreign policy.—Reuter.

CREDENTIALS NOT PRESENTED

CEYLONESE MARXIST WARNING

Colombo, Mar. 6.

Marxists in the coalition government party today warned Premier Solomon Bandaranaike of their disappointment at the absence of any integrated plan to solve Ceylon's political, economical and social problems.

The warning was contained in a message from T.B. Subashinghe, Parliamentary Secretary to the External Affairs Ministry, on behalf of the "Progressives" in the Government.

Subashinghe also asked Bandaranaike to recognise the national sentiments of minorities, particularly of the Tamil community. He asked that the Tamil language be given official recognition.—France-Presse.

Governor-General Springs English Surprise

Ottawa, Mar. 6.

The Right Honourable Vincent Massey, C.H., Canada's Governor-General, has surprised, and delighted, many Canadians with satirical references to the bad English which is so widespread in North America.

In a speech at Mount Allison University, New Brunswick, he referred to the Canadian capacity for "ironing out the bottlenecks" and "covering angles," and performing a number of other actions in similar mixed metaphors.

Parodying current jargon, Mr Massey declared: "We carry out purposeful projects in a meaningful manner in order to achieve insightful experiences. We diarize; we earlierize; any day we may begin to futurize. We also itinerize, and reliabilieize; we not only decontaminate and dehumidify, but we debureaucratize and deinsecticize. We are, in addition, discovering how pleasant it is to fellowship with one another. I can only say: 'Let us finalize all this nonsense.'"

DOUBTFUL

Whether Mr Massey will succeed in his campaign for better English is doubtful. But observers here say that he has already had a remarkable impact upon the cultural life of Canada.

As a private citizen, before becoming Governor-General, he was head of a Royal Commission appointed to examine the state of the Arts, Humanities and Sciences in Canada. The now famous Massey report was issued in 1951.

In January 1957, Mr Massey had a unique experience. As Governor-General, he was called upon to read the Speech from the Throne which informed Parliament that it would be called upon to vote 100,000,000 dollars (about £34,000,000) to set up the Canada Council, a project aimed at encouraging the Arts which was recommended in his own (Massey) report as head of the Royal Commission.

Certainly no other Governor-General of Canada has ever found himself in that position.—China Mail Special.

There's More than Magic about CADBURY'S... HONG KONG'S Favourite Chocolates

70-Day Fast

PYTHONS FOR COMPANY

Nancy, Mar. 6.

The fakir Burmah, who has lived without food for 10 out of the past 20 years, plans to begin a 70-day fast here tomorrow in the company of two pythons inside a glass case.

He will be on public view night and day.

Bailiffs will put 63 seals on the case after installing the snakes, a mattress of broken glass and a supply of salted mineral water which will be Burmah's only nourishment.

Burmah will take injections of anti-python vaccine as he expects to be bitten about 10 times a day. During the final weeks of his ordeal, the pythons will be replaced by vipers as he does not expect to be strong enough to free himself from the big snakes' coils.—China Mail Special.

Mental Patient Recaptured

London, March 6.

Police guards at Buckingham Palace, and other royal residences were told today that a missing mental patient who might try to bother the Queen had been found at Bridgwater, southwestern England.

He is being returned to the hospital at Hatwell, near London, from which he disappeared last Sunday.

In the past when the man has been released from hospitals he has called at Buckingham Palace or other royal homes demanding to see the Queen.—Reuter.

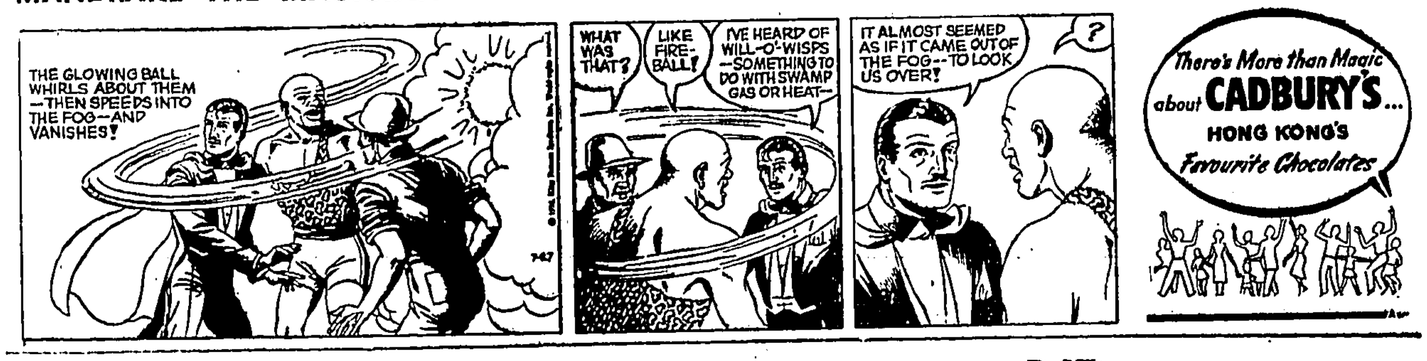
Prizes For X-Ray

Glasgow, Mar. 5.

The Glasgow Corporation is offering prizes worth £1,000 to induce people to be X-rayed during a four-week anti-tuberculosis drive.

The prizes include a baby car, bedroom suits, a week's holiday for two in the Highlands, a refrigerator, a television set and a washing machine.—China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN — By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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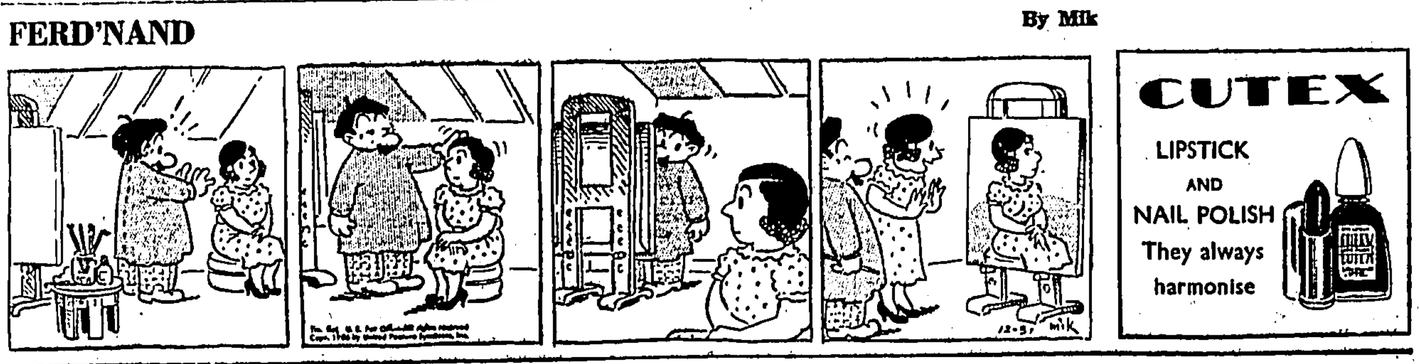

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They always harmonise

NANCY — By Ernie Bushmiller

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with the wonderful centres

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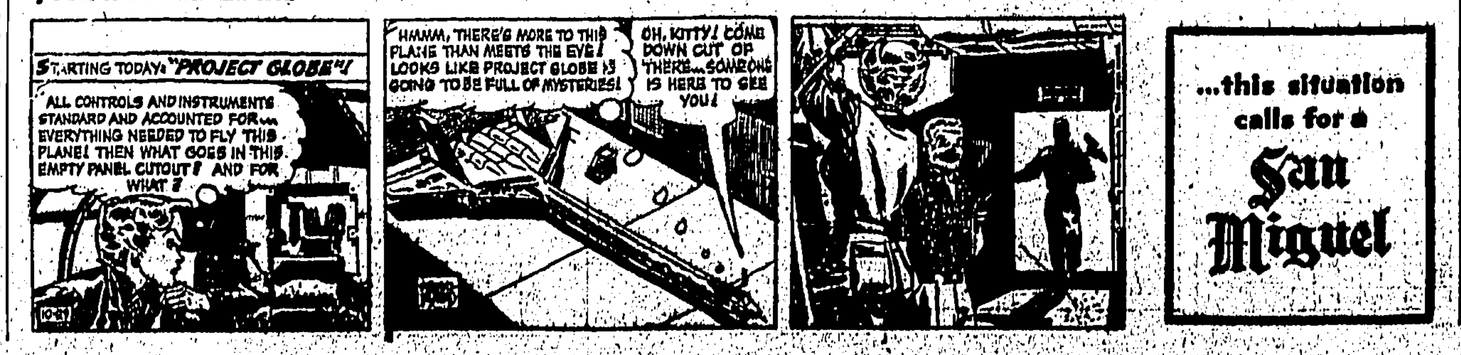

...this situation calls for a San Miguel

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

MOTORS HELP WALL STREET INDUSTRIALS

New York, Mar. 6.

Stocks came up sharply on increased turnover in final minutes of trading to climax an irregular, routine trading session.

Automotive shares, paced by Chrysler, led the upsurge on demand stemming from a statement by M.C. Patterson, President of the company's Dodge Division, that the auto industry will sell 6.5 million cars this year against 5.9 million in 1956.

Strength in motors helped other sections of the industrial list and final nets showed good gains in the automotive suppliers, chemicals, metals, oils and numerous special issues.

Industrials closed up 1.99 in their average to 474.87, utilities managed a rise of .13 point to 71.41 as most issues gained small amounts but rails were unable to pull up and closed .82 point lower at 143.32.

Trading Lagged

Trading lagged 20,000 shares behind Tuesday at 1,840,000 shares but was brisk on the late upswing.

Israeli moves to withdraw from the Gaza and Aqaba areas and Syrian permission for repair of oil pipelines blown up during the Anglo-French invasion of Egypt were added favourable market influences.

International oils, subject to some profit-taking in early dealings, turned up with the rest of the list.

Metal shares were lifted 1½ to nearly 3 points.

Traders were wary of steels, with the hesitation reflecting some concern over layoffs in the industry.

Of 1,111 issues traded, 475 were higher, 371 lower, 265 unchanged with five at new high, six at new lows.

NY Stock Exchange bond volume was $4,080,000.

American Stock Exchange volume was 890,000 shares.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 industrials	474.87
20 rails	143.32
15 utilities	71.41
65 stocks	167.79
40 bonds	90.94
Comm future price index	160.61

Closing Prices

Allied Chemicals	$ 89½
Allied Mills Inc.	28½
Allis Chalmers	33¼
Am. Cable & Radio Corp	9⅛
American Cyanamide Co.	74½
Amer. & Forgn. Power	16⅞
Am. Mach. & F'dry.	35⅜
American Metal	29½
American Smelting	52⅝
American Tel & Tel	177¼xd
American Tob. "B"	75¾
Anaconda Copper	62⅞
Armco Steel	55¼
Armour	15⅛
Atlas Cons. Mining	22
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	12⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	43⅞
Bendix Aviation Corp.	61
Beneficial Finance	19⅞
Benguet Cons.	1⅞
Bethlehem Steel	43⅛
Boeing Airplane	47½
Borden (The) Co.	54⅝
Burroughs Add Machine	37⅞
Canadian Pacific R.	31⅝
Case (J. I.) Co.	14⅛
Cat. Tractor	92⅜
Celanese Corp.	16⅛
C. I. T. Financial Corp.	42⅛
Chase Manhat. Bank	50⅜
Chrysler Motors	74⅞
Climax Molybdenum	65⅛
Colgate-Palmolive Co.	43⅛
Colombian Carbon	54¾
Commercial Credit	48
Commonwealth Elec.	33¼
Consolidated Edison	45⅛
Continental Oil of Del.	56¼
Crown Zellerbach	52 xd
Cuban Amer. Sugar	24¾
Diamond Alkali	53¼
Douglas Aircraft	70
Dow Chemicals	60
Dupont de Nemours	180
Eastern Airlines	43
Eastman Kodak	84¾
El Paso National Gas (New)	31
Family Finance Corp.	23⅞
Firestone Tyre	80
Ford Motor	57⅛
General Electric	56½
General Foods	43¾
General Motors	40¼
Gen. Pub. Util.	36¾
Getty Oil	54⅝
Glidden Co.	35½
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	68⅞
Goodyear Tyre	75½
Gulf Oil	119⅞
Heyden Newport Corp.	13⅝
Homstake Mining Co.	35
Ingersoll-Rand	81½
Inland Steel Co.	78¼
Interchemical Corp.	47
Int'l Business Machines	525
Int'l Harvester	37½
International Nickel	103½
International Paper	100¼
Int'l Tel & Tel	33⅞
John-Manville Co.	48½
Kansas C. Power & Light	39
Kennecott Copper	100¼
Liggett Meyers Tob. Co.	66⅜
Lockheed Aircraft	45¾
Loews Incorp.	19⅝
Lone Star Cement Co. (New)	33⅝
Lowenstein & Sons.	19⅛
MacDonnel Aircraft	35¼
Mesabi Iron Corp.	47⅝
Minnesota Mining	64
Mission Development	29⅝
Monsanto Chemical Co.	34
Montgomery Ward	38
Motorola Inc.	40⅛
National Cash Reg. "A"	51⅞
National Dairy Prod.	37⅛
National Lead	113⅛
National Steel Corp.	67
New York Central	30⅜
Olin Mathieson	46⅛
Otis Elevators	41⅞
Owens-Illinois Glass	84⅝
Pacific Gas & Elec.	49⅛
Pan American Airways	16
Paramount Pictures	33½
Penny J. C. Co.	83
Penn. Salt Co.	[illegible]
Philip Morris	45
Procter & Gamble Co.	48⅛
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	81¼
Publicker Industries	8⅝
Pure Oil	39¼
Radio Corporation	34¼
Republic Steel	52⅛
Reynolds Metal	57 xd
Shell Oil Co.	83
Saint Reg. Paper	40¼
Sinclair Oil	61¼
Socony Mobiloil	62⅞
Solar Aircraft	18½
South Puerto Rico Sugar	35½
Southern National Gas	40¼
Southern Railway (Com.)	42⅝
Steep Rock (Torontoex)	20⅛
Standard Brands	39½
Standard Oil of Cal.	46¾
Standard Oil of Ind.	53¼
Standard Oil of N.J.	58⅛
Sterling Drug Co.	29¼
Stokely-Van Camp.	18¼
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	7⅛
Swift & Co.	35⅞
Texas Co.	60⅞
Tide Water Assn. Oil	35¾
Time Inc.	63½
Twenty Century Fox Film	25⅞
Union Carbide	110¾
Union Pacific Railway	28 xd
United Aircraft	78¼
U.S. Foil "B"	38¾ xd
U.S. Gypsum	54½
U.S. Line Co.	32⅜
U.S. Rubber	42½
U.S. Smelting	56⅜
U.S. Steel	60¼
Warner Bros.	26¼
Western Union Tel.	19
Westinghouse Electric	55½
West Va. Pulp & Paper	44
Woolworth	43

—United Press

WORLD RUBBER MARKETS

New York, Mar. 6.

The rex rubber contract closed today five to 18 points higher with sales of 23 contracts.

Mar.	30.90
May	31.10
July	30.90
Sept	30.70
Nov	30.50
Jan.	30.35
Mar	30.20

The standard contract closed five to 18 points higher with no sales reported.

Mar.	30.90
May	31.10
July	30.90
Sept.	30.70
Nov.	30.50
Jan.	30.33
Mar.	31.10

The futures market was very dull today with prices inching higher in line with higher London cables. The physical market was quiet with very little factory interest.

Spot No. 1 Rss was quoted at 31⅛ cents.

SINGAPORE

The market opened about one cent below the previous close on lower overseas advices, but it steadied during the morning on short covering and good lower sheet interest, also there was some factory buying.

The market eased again during the afternoon largely on liquidation of March.

Futures:

No. 1 rubber per lb. Mar.	89½-89¾
Apr.	90¼-90½
No. 2 rubber per lb. Mar.	87-87½
No. 3 " "	86-86½
No. 4 " "	85-86
Spot rubber unbaled	98½-98¾
Blanket crepe	77-79
No. 1 pale crepe	97-99

LONDON

The market was very steady with spot quoted at 26¾ pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 Rss spot	26⅝-26⅞
Settlement house term:	
Apr.	26⅝-26⅞
May	26⅝-26¾
June	26⅝-26¾
Apr./June	26⅝-26¾
July/Sept.	26½-26⅝
Oct./Dec.	26¼-26⅜
Jan/Mar.	26-26
General markets, cif basis, ports:	
Mar.	26¼-26½
Apr.	26⅝-26⅞
May	26⅝-26⅞
Estate crepe thin Mar.	29½
thick	unquoted.

AMSTERDAM

The market was quiet. Prices closed today in guilders per kilogram, cif March as follows:

No. 1 rubber	2.54 buyers
No. 2 rubber	2.52 buyers
No. 3 rubber	2.47 buyers
No. 1 crepe	2.74 buyers

—United Press.

London Foreign Exchange

London, Mar. 6.

Closing rates were:

New York	2.79-11/16-2.79-13/16
Montreal	2.67⅜-2.67⅝
Amsterdam	10.67⅝-10.68⅛
Brussels	140.77½-140.80
Copenhagen	19.42⅜-19.42⅝
Lisbon	80.10-80.20
Oslo	20.00⅜-20.00⅝

All others unchanged.

—United Press.

New York Foreign Exchange

New York, Mar. 6.

Closing rates were:

Canada	1.04-17/32
England official	2.79-13/16
" 30-day futures	2.79-9/16
" 90-day futures	2.79⅛
Australia	2.23-13/16
New Zealand	2.78⅛
South Africa	2.80⅛
Belgium	.0199-9/16
Switzerland	.2332

All others unchanged.

—United Press.

Land Development Is Big Business In NZ

SCIENCE AND MACHINES MOBILISED TO EXPLOIT WILDERNESS

Auckland, Mar. 6.

While land development is big business in New Zealand today, farmers, particularly dairymen, are scanning market reports and Ministerial statements with some anxiety.

For though prices are still buoyant, the British market for New Zealand butter and meat has slumped seriously.

Nevertheless, science and machines are being mobilised to expand agricultural production more rapidly than ever before. They are harnessing new land and exploiting with the help of new scientific skills, the fertility of areas which were formerly wildernesses.

Aerial agriculture has been developed and perfected faster in New Zealand than in any other country. Where once men and packhorses spread seed and fertiliser in months of arduous toil, the aeroplane is today fast pushing back the frontiers in a vast, hill country hinterland of bracken fern, manuka scrub and stunted trees.

Large Part

While a large part of the increased production needed to supply raw materials and maintain an estimated increase of 1,000,000 population in 20 years will probably come from existing farms, substantial contributions will be made by the land broken with giant disc and swamp plough and sown by aircraft which drop seed on to the warm ashes of burnt-off, 60 degrees slopes.

Nowhere is land development in New Zealand today better illustrated than on the pumice lands of the Rotorua-Taupo area, in the centre of the North Island. Here men, machines, cattle and aircraft are breaking in to grass about 25,000 acres a year, half the area set by the Government as the annual development figure for the whole of the country.

Development on a national scale is being directed by the Lands and Survey Department and the Department of Maori Affairs. From an office in Rotorua, New Zealand's thermal tourist resort, Mr Gavin Brown, superintendent of land development for the Lands and Survey Department, administers a territory which comprises 4,500,000 acres, from Tauranga in the Bay of Plenty to south of Lake Taupo.

Unproductive

Until comparatively recently, this was one of the most unproductive areas in New Zealand. Only a portion of the 4,500,000 acres had been developed and farmed successfully before World War II.

Much of the area, indeed, was "bush sick"—that is to say, it would not grow good pasture and it would not support thriving stock.

Today, cobalt has provided the key which has unlocked the door to productivity.

When the Lands and Survey organisation was set up in Rotorua in 1948, about 450,000 acres of unimproved Crown land were lying idle and the Lands Department was farming about 50,000 acres of semi-improved land.

From this area, about 102,000 acres have now been fully developed and settled by returned servicemen in 608 farms, and a further 110,000 acres are being farmed by the Department after being broken in to grass and developed to various stages.

The area being farmed by the Department is now carrying 160,000 sheep, including 100,000 breeding ewes, and 37,000 run cattle. It is expected to yield another 840 farms.

Development of the pumice lands has been basically a matter of employing the "three C's"—capital, cobalt and cattle. Cattle have been used as tools of trade to consolidate burnt-off country, to crush the remaining scrub and to prevent a second growth coming back after the land has been grassed.

Consisting mainly of volcanic ash shower, the land was deficient in phosphates and nitrogen. Therefore, phosphates have been used to boost the growth of clover and so build up the nitrogen to the stage where it will sustain high producing ryegrass. This process takes from five to 10 years of good farming and stock management.

Carve Tracks

The flatter country has been yielding good dairy and fat lamb farms while much of the steep, broken hill country has been developed to the stage when it will carry two breeding ewes and a dry sheep to the acre plus one cattle beast to about four acres.

It is on this hill country that the most spectacular work has been carried out. Bulldozers carve tracks round the lower contours of the hills to provide firebreaks and a means of getting fencing materials nearer to the spot where they are needed.

Firing of a hill face to clear the scrub is carried out in the autumn and Tiger Moth planes operating from an airstrip on the lower slopes, drop the seed into the ashes almost immediately afterwards.

Here, as in other hilly parts of New Zealand, topdressing is also carried out from the air. But on the pumice lands there is one small difference: the superphosphate fertiliser is cobaltised.

Low-level seed sowing, fence dropping and topdressing over broken hill country was a task which at first taxed to the utmost the former wartime pilots who have been the backbone of the country's seven-year-old industry. But now guesswork has largely been removed from aerial agriculture and constant research by the Air Department has resulted in a sharp drop in the accident rate.

Big Part

Aerial topdressing companies have played a big part in land development and they have also provided the private farmer with a service which he could not now do without.

Bumper wool prices five years ago helped the farmer to pay for much of this work, but the agricultural aviation industry is today facing some big problems.

Credit restrictions last year reduced the demand from the private farmer for the industry's service. There has been talk of price cutting by aerial topdressing companies and fierce competition for jobs. It has been said that there are too many companies and too many aircraft in the field.

Whatever the problems, however, one thing is certain—aerial agriculture is here to stay.

The pumice lands of Rotorua-Taupo may be the biggest centre of land development in New Zealand, but they are by no means the only one.

In the gumlands of Northland, with its complex soil types, huge chunks of territory are yielding to the plough each year. Science has been brought to bear on soil problems and with the aid of the tracer element, molybdenum, areas which were formerly unproductive are now carrying good pasture and thriving stock.

Land development is proceeding, too, in the South Island though not quite at the same pace.

Main Exports

Last year, New Zealand, a relatively small country with a population of only slightly over 2,000,000 people, gave the world a lesson in grassland farming. As host country to the Seventh International Grassland Congress, she demonstrated to more than 200 overseas scientists that in a favourable climate meat, wool and dairy products can be produced almost entirely on pasture.

These products have been and will continue to be New Zealand's main exports, and Britain will continue to be the main market for them. In spite of present anxiety among New Zealand farmers at the over-supply of dairy produce to the British market, with increasing competition from other countries and consequent severe reductions in price, New Zealand's economy, in the foreseeable future, will still depend predominantly on the export of the produce of her grasslands.—China Mail Special.

NEW ECONOMIC ADVANCE POSSIBLE IN BRITAIN AND GERMANY

London, Mar. 6.

A new economic advance seems to be in the making in Britain and Germany, as soon as the respective governments let it go. That may not be very soon in either country, but the pressure to re-expand is mounting.

In Britain the new advance, when it comes, should be much healthier than the last one, by being far less inflationary.

That has been the object of the whole exercise for the past two years and, as time passes, it gets nearer.

Germany has had very little inflationary pressure and, despite all the wishful thinking by her competitors, she has hardly any inflationary danger.

Real Problem

Germany's real problem for the world is her differential deflation, and the consequent chronic and intensifying undervaluation of the D-mark.

A new advance in Britain and Germany would help to keep things going while the many other countries which have been doing too much are having or will have to pull back a bit, to consolidate for a new forward march later.

These countries include the US, Japan, France, India, Holland and Belgium.

Meanwhile it was a rather haywire week to February 18. Most recent development might just as well have happened, or been interpreted, the other way round. Rarely can one week have had so much double-talk from Washington, London and Bonn.

Double Talk

From Paris the double-talk has been extreme, rather humorously about the proposed European Free Trade Area as affecting agriculture (a matter in which several Continental governments have decided that language was given them to conceal their thoughts) but more seriously about the Customs Union of the six Messina powers which has become a highly illiberal and discriminatory concept. In that as in many other respects, the price of the overvalued French franc is becoming very high.—China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately $620,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank XD		1565	10 @ 1565
East Asia XD	242		223 @ 224
INSURANCES			
Union	930	940	30 @ 935
SHIPPING			
Wheelocks	6.80	6.85	2000 @ 6.85
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	102	103	262 @ 102
Dock	47½	48¼	
Provident	13.20		
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	14.70	15.10	
HK Land	63½	64	333 @ 63½ 10 @ 64 3000 @ 63½ 250 @ 63½
Realty		1.425	
RUBBER			
Amalg.	1.40	1.50	4504 @ 1.425
Trust	1.00	1.70	
UTILITIES			
Tram XD	21.00	22	200 @ 22
Star Ferry	130		
Yaumati	104	106	
C. Light	22.80	23	2500 @ 22.90
Electric		30½	1765 @ 30
Macao E.	9.80	10	
Tel. XD	23.80	24	1000 @ 23.90
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement XD	32¼	33	100 @ 33
Rope	12.80		
Amoy Cen	32½		
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	16	16.20	500 @ 16.10
Watson X All	11.20	11½	
Lane, Craw.	28.30		
COTTONS			
Textile	4.75	4.80	
Nanyang	7.95		700 @ 8
MISCELLANEOUS			
Ch. Ent.	17.70		
INVESTMENTS			
H.K. & F.E. Invest.	9.75		800 @ 9.90 1500 @ 10

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, Mar. 6.

Most grains were lower on the Board of Trade today after fairly active dealings.

Wheat prices dropped somewhat due to early selling of new crop contracts on reports of moisture throughout the southwest. Old contracts were fairly steady, with light offerings.

Wheat closed off ½ to 1⅝ cents. Soybeans closed off ⅛ to 1⅝ cents.

Wheat No. 2, red			
Spot			233⅛n
Mar.	234⅜(H)	232¼(L)	233-2/7
May			223⅝-¾
July			223⅝-¾
Sept.			225⅝-¾
Dec.			229
Corn, No. 2, yellow			
Spot			132¾-133
Mar.			129⅝
May			133⅞-¾
July			137⅞-237
Sept.			137⅞
Dec.			133⅞
Rye			
Mar.			135¾
May			137⅞
Oats			
Mar.			75½
May			74
Soybeans, No. 2, yellow			
Spot			245⅛n
Mar.			243¼-243
May			244¾
July			242⅝-½
Sept.			235¾
Nov.			233⅞
Barley,			
spot			130-140
New York flour			
200 lb. sack			$13.40n

—United Press.

New York Sugar Market

New York, Mar 6.

World No. 4. sugar futures closed 10 to 14 points with sales of 730 contracts.

The domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed two points higher to two points lower with sales of 85 contracts.

Continued lack of demand in the world raw market brought scattered liquidation into world futures. In turn, the lower futures prices failed to stimulate any new business in raws where the price is quoted at 6.30 cents a pound, fob Cuba.

The domestic market was quiet.

Contract No. 4 (world)

May	6.10
July	[illegible]
September	[illegible]-07
March	4.90
May	4.90
July	[illegible]
Spot-(cents per lb. fob Cuba)	6.30

Open interest: 8,749 contracts.

Contract No. 6 (domestic)

May	[illegible]
July	[illegible]
September	[illegible]
November	[illegible]
Spot-(cents per lb. cif NY ex-duty)	[illegible]

Open interest: 3,404 contracts.—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	[illegible]
Sterling notes (per £1)	[illegible]
Australian notes (per £1)	[illegible]
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	[illegible]
Siam tical (per 100)	[illegible]
Singapore (Straits)	[illegible]

New York Cotton Market Drifts

WORLD PRICES

New York, Mar. 6.

The cotton market drifted aimlessly on either side of the previous close throughout the day but finished on a firm note. Trading was quiet.

At the close, prices ruled unchanged to four points higher. The market opened three lower to one higher. The New Orleans, closed yesterday, for the Mardi Gras, finished 14 to 16 points lower, as prices were brought in line with New York.

The list edged lower at the outset on some scattered liquidation and hedging which were offset somewhat by trade and commission house buying.

The easiness prevailed until mid-afternoon when some commission house short covering, which found offerings light, strengthened the far-off deliveries. However, the covering met a little selling and gains were kept small.

Late in the day, a leading spot firm bought some July, October, and December which brought covering by shorts in most nearby deliveries, with prices moving slightly above the previous close.

There were no March transferable notices issued at New York or New Orleans today. The March open interest as of March 5 totalled 34,200 bales.

The certificated stock rose 181 bales to 7,115.

Month	Volume	Open interest
Mar.	6,700	34,200
May	17,700	302,000
July	9,100	141,800
Oct.	16,200	156,400
Dec.	12,000	142,400
Mar.	7,700	69,700
May	4,800	57,000
July	3,800	37,600
Total	79,000	1,001,700 bales

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	35.25n
Mar.	35.07
May	35.12
July	34.55
Oct.	32.88
Dec.	32.79
Mar.	32.77
May	32.76
July	32.35

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Spot	34.00
Mar.	34.87
May	35.10
July	34.51
Oct.	32.88
Dec.	32.79
Mar.	32.79
May	32.78
July	32.35

LIVERPOOL

Future closings, in pence per lb. as follows:

Old contract	Mar/Apr.	26.03
	May/July	26.16
	July/Aug.	25.77
	Oct./Nov.	25.40
	Dec./Jan.	25.34
New contract	Mar./Apr.	26.21
	May/June	26.30
	July/Aug.	25.90
	Oct/Nov.	25.48
	Dec.Jan.	25.33
Egyptian Karnak	Jan/Feb.	00.00

SAO PAULO

Quotations were unavailable—holiday.

In the US the average price of one-inch cotton at 14 designated spot markets was not available.

Total sales at these 14 markets were 12,731 bales.—United Press.

London Stocks Moderately Lower

London, Mar. 6.

Vaguely harassed by everything in general, stock markets opened and closed in the same mood with most prices moderately lower.

Chief difficulty is the proposed hurried sale by the Government to private enterprise of the huge Steel Company of Wales, the last of the major steel concerns to pass from being nationalised into the ownership of the propertied classes. The company will be sold to investors for 40 million sterling, representing 40 million shares of a par value of £1 sterling. With a probable dividend of 8 per cent and first-rate earnings prospects, the offer is attractive except for politics; the country is turning strongly anti-Conservative and if Labour gets in, they are pledged to renationalise the iron and steel industry, undoing all the work the Tories have done.

Thus the political hazard facing investors is a fairly stiff one and the next few weeks may possibly turn the handsome offer into a flop.

Industrial shares were idle but tended to drift lower mostly by 6 pence or 8 pence. But Rolls-Royce fell 1 shilling 3 pence and Reyrolle by 2 shillings 3 pence, suggesting that buyers were disinclined to risk their money.—United Press.

LONDON SILVER PRICES

London, Mar. 6.

The price of silver was quoted today at 79⅞ pence for spot and 79⅝ pence for forward (against 80 and 79¾ pence previously).—United Press.

NAMESAKES

Answers:—1 Inquisitor, 2 Religion, 3 Trinity, 4 Faith, 5 Jesuit, 6 Spain, 7 Rubens, 8 Mystery, 9 Miracle, 10 Order, 11 Piety, 12 Founder, 13 Castle, 14 Warwick.

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

This Obsession

THEY met by chance in Baker Street. The girl was a student. Timothy, the boy, with his duffle-coat and vast scarf of extravagant stripes, looked like one. And he talked like one. The girl got the idea that he was studying medicine.

The two, like homing birds, made for Bloomsbury. There, in a cafe, they talked for a long time over coffee. No one can make a cup of coffee last longer than a student busy putting the world to rights.

They surfaced at last, and strolled to a quiet, wintry square, where they sat on a bench and continued their talk.

THE HANDBAG

"I MUST go and get some more cigarettes," Timothy said at last. "Be back in a couple of minutes." It was not some time that the girl realised that Timothy was not coming back—and that he had taken her handbag with him when he left.

The girl went to the police. Her description of Timothy agreed perfectly with that of a man the police knew very well. Within a few days Timothy was traced.

At Clerkenwell court, he pleaded guilty to stealing the girl's handbag. He asked for 23 cases of cashing stolen cheques to be taken into consideration.

'WANTED TO BE....'

"ANYTHING known?" asked Mr Frank Powell. There were four previous convictions, all for false pretences.

In each, 20-30 cases had been taken into consideration. There had been prison sentences—six months, 18 months, three years' corrective training.

Now, Timothy said: "I managed to get work when I came out of prison last time, then this obsession comes on me...."

"The urge to steal?" asked the magistrate.

"No," Anthony said. "I wanted to be a medical student, you see, and I...." He gave up the attempt to explain and stood there, shaking his head, looking ten years younger than his age of 33.

He was sent to Sessions for sentence. Going away, he looked for all the world like a student ploughed in some vital examination, who dreads returning to places he hoped he had left for ever.

Bangkok Is Quiet

Bangkok, Mar. 6.

Government tanks stood silent guard at strategic street corners throughout Bangkok today as the city quietly marked its fourth day since the abortive attempt last Saturday to overthrow the government.

The ban on gatherings of more than five persons was still in force and the silent tanks posted throughout the Thai capital were grim reminders of the unsuccessful attempt to unseat the national government.

A Cabinet meeting was held this morning but no details of the meeting were revealed. A reliable source disclosed that neither Thai strongman Marshal Sarit Thanarat nor police chief Gen. Phao Sriyanond attended.

Sriyanond reportedly presided over a meeting of high officials of the Interior Ministry earlier.

American Ambassador Max Waldo Bishop called on Premier Pibul Songgram before taking leave Thursday for Canberra to attend the SEATO Council of Ministers meeting opening on March 11.—United Press.

RADIO STATION BANS MUSIC

Boston, Mar. 6.

Rock and roll music will be banned on radio station WBMS effective Monday, the general manager, Norman Furman, announced today.

"Station WBMS is bowing to public opinion and requests from members of the clergy," said Mr Furman. He said the station felt that rock and roll had "become associated with certain unfavourable elements."—United Press.

MACMILLAN TO SEEK REALIGNMENT OF POLICIES

London, Mar. 6.

British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan will seek a realignment of Anglo-French Mideastern and European defence policies at a meeting with France's leaders in Paris next weekend, official sources said today.

Differences over Britain's plans for a part-withdrawal of her forces from Germany and over her grand design for a tariff-free European trade area have heightened the importance of the talks.

The Paris discussions will help to share Britain's strategy for the all-important meeting between Mr Macmillan and President Eisenhower in Bermuda on March 21-24.

Mr Macmillan, who leaves here for Paris Saturday morning, has decided to extend his visit until Sunday night for a broader review of policies with French Premier Guy Mollet and Foreign Minister Christian Pineau.

He will be accompanied by Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd and top level advisers.

WIDE FIELD

No firm agenda has been arranged for the Paris discussions which, officials said, would range over a wide field of Anglo-French and international issues.

Foremost in the mind of the British leaders is the pressing question of the Suez Canal and of a Mideastern settlement at large.

Both France and Britain are opposed to Egyptian demands that Canal tolls be paid exclusively to the Cairo-controlled authority. They have compromised on a 50-50 plan. This suggests that half the tolls be paid to Egypt and the remainder to go into a special fund to be established at the International Bank.

The withholding of tolls is about the only "weapon" left to Britain and France in negotiations with Egypt on the future use of the Canal, after the failure of their military intervention.—United Press.

POLAND ASKS FOR US AID

Washington, Mar. 7.

Communist Poland has formally asked the United States to supply it with surplus American farm products, it was disclosed today.

The United States made no immediate response. But US officials are known to be sympathetic to the idea of helping Poland get limited amounts of surplus agricultural products.

The United States and Poland have been negotiating for a week on American aid for the new government of Poland, which has won a measure of independence from Moscow control. American authorities are anxious to help the Polish regime because they feel US aid may help loosen further the Soviet grip on Poland.

The formal request for farm products came during a 75-minute conference yesterday between a Polish economic mission and an American team headed by the Assistant Secretary of State, Mr Thorsten Kalijarvi.

Mr Henry Kotlicki, Director-General in the Polish Ministry of Finance and head of the Polish mission, told the United Press his negotiators "presented needs for surplus agricultural products".

"We asked for certain amounts," said Mr Kotlicki. "But by agreement with the United States we cannot go into details."

Poland is known to want wheat, cotton, fats and oils.—United Press.

Mt Etna Erupts Erratically

Catania, Mar. 6.

Fiery Mount Etna was scattering grey-black sand over a six-mile radius today in a rhythmical series of volcanic explosions.

The behaviour of the Sicilian volcano, erupting intermittently for the past three weeks, was among the strangest in its long recorded history. Volcano expert Dr Salvatore Cucuzzi, Silvestri headed a team of scientists who were recording each fresh development. — United Press.

Paracels "Invasion"

Peking Denounces South Vietnam

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

Communist China today denounced South Vietnam for the shooting of a Chinese fisherman by Vietnamese troops and "illegal occupation" of islands claimed by Peking.

Radio Peking, heard in Tokyo, charged that South Vietnamese troops "illegally" held the island of Kanchuan in the Paracel group in the South China Sea and had fired on a Communist Chinese fishing boat last Jan. 25 wounding one on board.

The radio mentioned no Communist counter moves, but warned that the incident "has aroused growing indignation among the Chinese."

The radio said that the South Vietnamese had not only occupied Kanchuan but "several other islands nearby ... such as Chinyin Island and Sanhu Island."

CHINESE TERRITORY

"It is pointed out here that the Sisha (Paracel) Islands are an integral part of Chinese territory," the radio said. "The Chinese Government has repeatedly made solemn statements that the Sisha Islands and Nanwei (Spratley) Islands ... have always been Chinese territory..."

"The legal sovereignty of these islands absolutely permits no violation by any country," the radio declared.

The shooting incident, the radio said, took place when a Communist fishing boat from Hainan Island, just northwest of the Paracels, went toward Kanchuan to get fresh water.

"The illegal occupation of these islands and the firing on a Chinese fishing boat by the troops of the South Vietnam (President) Ngo Dinh Diem clique have not only menaced the lives and caused damage to Chinese fishermen in that area, but also constitute a provocative act of the Ngo Dinh Diem clique in violation of the Chinese sovereignty."—United Press.

14,000 Arrests Made

Capetown, Mar. 7.

South Africa's Minister of Justice, C. R. Swart, told Parliament on Wednesday night that the Transvaal police had made 14,000 arrests in connection with the boycott of bus services in the Johannesburg area by African workers since the boycott began.

Swart added, however, that the Police had their hands largely tied because the boycott leaders in many cases avoided direct intimidation, warning would-be bus passengers that they would be caught up with sooner or later.

Africans on one location, he said, had burned down the houses and business premises of boycott leaders following their use of such intimidatory methods.

The Minister was speaking during a debate on a bill aimed at preventing the use of alternative transport in the Transvaal boycott areas.—France-Presse.

Urges Moratorium

Washington, Mar. 6.

President Eisenhower asked Congress today to let Britain postpone up to seven annual payments on a $4,372,000,000 loan granted in 1956. The payments come to $138,000,000 a year in interest and principal.—United Press.

The new Governor of Macao and his wife are seen here with Sir Alexander Grantham at Kai Tak this morning. — Staff Photographer.

ADMIRAL WARNS OF SOVIET SUB MENACE

London, Mar. 6.

Vice-Admiral Sir Edward Evans-Lombe, former commander of the allied naval forces in Europe, called here today for a new British naval construction programme "without further delay."

He spoke of the Russian submarine fleet and said that the development of high-speed submarines made them "an increasingly potent weapon and for the free nations, a menace no less than the nuclear threat."

"Russia is known to have had 475 submarines in the middle of last year," Vice-Admiral Evans-Lombe said.

"She is still adding to her fleet at the rate of 60 to 70 submarines a year."

It was most significant, he added, that she was also building fleet oilers and submarine depot ships, and the pattern of her threat to allied sea power was becoming clear.

"If war should come, her submarines would certainly be dispersed with their supply ships about the oceans of the world or in remote anchorages well able to maintain themselves for at least six months and probably much longer," he said.

THE ANSWER

To meet this threat he appealed for the development here of high-speed submarines capable of staying submerged for long periods and for new types of warships for carrying guided missiles.

The guided missiles with all its roles must be the principal weapon in any future fleet, he added.

Britain had lagged behind with this development except in air-to-air missiles.

Vice-Admiral Evans-Lombe, who retired in 1955, declared on behalf of the British Navy League that "Wherever else cuts in defence expenditure may be made we are convinced that a new naval construction programme must be initiated without further delay."—China Mail Special.

Reunification Discussions

Washington, Mar. 6.

The four-power working group on German unity began talks today designed to find new ways of speeding settlement of the long-stalled German issue.

Representatives from France, Great Britain, the United States and West Germany met at the State Department late this afternoon to review the reunification question in relation to European security.

A State Department communique issued after the first session of the talks said the review would be conducted "on the basis of the proposals made at the Geneva meeting of Foreign Ministers of 1955 and in the light of subsequent developments."

No time limit has been set on the discussions. US sources have said talks would probably wind up in about 10 days. But the German delegation and the Foreign Minister, Dr Heinrich von Brentano, reportedly are in favour of the talks being held without any limit.

At the end of the talks, the working group will prepare a report that will be submitted to the four governments and to the NATO Council.—United Press.

Campaign Succeeding

London, Mar. 6.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, said today the active strength of the Communist terrorists in Malaya was estimated to have been reduced by about one third during the last year.—Reuter.

Reaction To Pope's Criticism

Rome, Mar. 6.

Worried middle-road politicians promised tonight to take speedy action in Parliament to rid Rome of "pornographic" posters which displeased Pope Pius.

The Pontiff yesterday criticised sexy posters, magazines, films and television programmes, which he said were offensive to the "sacred" character of Rome as centre of the Roman Catholic Church. Three posters to which the Pope objected show pictures of French actress Brigitte Bardot in various stages of nudity.

The Pope's objections touched off a small political storm today and some observers said the issue may cause a split in Premier Antonio Segni's Christian Democratic Party.

POPE'S APPEAL

Pope Pius appealed to Roman Catholics to launch an "energetic" campaign against pornographic posters, magazines, films and television programmes because, he said, there was "little hope of effective action from other quarters."

Pro-government sources said today that the Senate had been considering new measures on public morals for some time. They said a bill drafted by the Senate Interior Committee would go a long way toward eliminating such displays as those cited by the Pope.

The Papal criticism came as a blow to the Catholic premier at a time when his three-Party coalition is on shaky ground and general elections are due within a year.

Opposition newspapers quickly turned the Pope's speech into a political issue. The Communists attacked the Pope's interference and the neo-Fascists said "such things did not happen"—in the days of dictator Benito Mussolini.—United Press.

TWO SENTENCED TO DEATH

Meknes, Mar. 6.

A Moroccan military court today sentenced two men to death for the murder of four members of a French family in riots last October 23. Two other men were sentenced to hard labour for life and five others received prison terms ranging from six years for complicity in the killings.

The riots broke out in protest against the French arrest of five Algerian leaders, and the mob stormed the brickworks owned by the Mas family, killing the family.—France-Presse.

Macao's New Governor Here

The new Governor of Macao, His Excellency Commander Pedro Correia de Barros, accompanied by Mme de Barros, arrived here from Lisbon this morning by BOAC.

The Governor was also accompanied by his Chief de Cabinet, Captain Eduardo Aires Trigo de Sousa, and Mme Trigo de Sousa.

The party was met by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, Mr Guilherme M. de Castilho, Portuguese Consul in Hongkong, and Mme de Castilho. Lt Lobao Ferreira, ADC to the Governor of Macao, was also present.

A number of leading members of the Portuguese community in Hongkong were introduced to His Excellency and Mme de Barros before the official party left for Hongkong aboard the "Lady Maurine".

The new Governor will leave for Macao tomorrow morning aboard the Portuguese sloop, NRP Goncalves Zarco.

INCREASES WERE "LONG OVERDUE"

Washington, Mar. 6.

Mr M. J. Rathbone, president of Standard Oil of New Jersey, told Congress today that the price of US crude oil would have gone up even if there had been no Middle East crisis.

Mr Rathbone appeared for the second day before Senate subcommittees investigating a recent increase in the price of oil and a subsequent increase in gasoline prices. The subcommittees also are inquiring into operations of the oil-for-Europe programme.

The increases of a cent a gallon in gasoline and as much as 35 to 40 cents a barrel for crude oil, Mr Rathbone said, were "long overdue."—United Press.

The Crown Offers No Evidence

At the Criminal Sessions this morning, the Crown offered no evidence against a 30-year-old spinner of the South Textiles, Ltd., on charges of intimidating his assistant factory manager and unlawful assembly last October 11.

On the directions of Mr Justice C. W. Reece, Puisne Judge, a Jury of seven men returned a formal verdict of not guilty on both charges and the spinner, Lee Piu-fan, was discharged.

Lee was accused of intimidating To Tsang-hei with injury to the South Textiles factory and its employees with intent to cause To to dismiss certain employees and to do other things which he was not legally bound to do.

He was tried in the January Criminal Sessions together with another man on that charge and two others of riot on October 11 and 12 at Tsun Wan. The other man was discharged on all counts. Lee was found not guilty on the two counts of riot, but the Jury disagreed on the count of intimidation and a possible verdict of unlawful assembly arising out of one of the riot charges. He was remanded for re-trial on the intimidation charge.

JUDGE EXPLAINS

This morning, Mr D. E. Greenfield, Crown Counsel, announced that he was offering no evidence on the count of intimidation and he would treat the outstanding charge of unlawful assembly in the same way.

Mr Justice Reece asked the Jury to return a formal verdict of not guilty on the intimidation count. He also explained that Lee was up before another Jury on a charge of riot. On that charge he could have been convicted of the offence of unlawful assembly.

But the Jury, the Judge went on, finding him not guilty of riot, had disagreed on the question of whether or not he was guilty of unlawful assembly. Thus this charge was "a sword of Damocles" hanging over his head. Crown Counsel was not offering any evidence on this outstanding charge also and therefore the Jury should return a formal verdict on it, he said.

Lee was discharged on the two charges. But Mr Greenfield disclosed that he was in custody on another charge.

PLANE LAUDED

Manila, Mar. 7.

The largest Philippine morning newspaper, the independent Manila Times, today lavished praise on Hongkong Airways' Vickers Viscount jet-prop plane which yesterday concluded its inaugural Hongkong-Manila inaugural flight.

In a front page article Times newsman Crispin Gonzales, who was with the inaugural flight, said that the steadiness of the Viscount was "beyond comparison."

He described the flight as "so smooth and vibrationless."—France-Presse.

To Stand Trial For Murder

At Central Court today Mr Simon F. S. Li ordered a 31-year-old car fitter, Chan Ping-wai, to stand trial at the Criminal Sessions of the Supreme Court on a charge of murder.

The defendant is charged with the murder of his sister-in-law on January 9, this year at Bridges Street, Hongkong.

Mail Notices

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THURSDAY, MARCH 7

By Air

Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 6 p.m.
Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 6 p.m.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.

By Surface

Japan, Hawaii, 3 p.m.
Malaya, Great Britain, Europe (Netherland & Germany, Parcels direct), 5 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

By Air

Cambodia, Malaya, Indonesia, 8 a.m.
Germany, 9 a.m.
Formosa, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, 11 a.m.
Indo-China, France, Noon.
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.
Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 1 p.m.
Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Canada, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.

By Surface

China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Malaya, Portuguese East Africa, S. Africa, Brazil (Argentine, Parcels direct) (N. & S. Rhodesia & Mozambique, Parcels via L. Marques), 4 p.m.
Korea, 4 p.m.
N. Borneo, Rabaul, Australia, New Zealand, 4 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T.

5.30, Time for Older Children, presented by Elizabeth; 6, Time Signal, Programme Summary; 6.02, Portuguese Half Hour; 6.30, V.O.A. Hit Parade; 6.59, Weather Report; 7, Time Signal. The News; 7.09, The Opening of the Tai Lam Chung Water Scheme. Speeches by Lady Patricia Lennox-Boyd, and his Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, G.C.M.G. Recorded at the Inauguration Ceremony at Tsun Wan this afternoon; 7.15 Approx., Band Call; 7.45, Short Story. "Accidental Murder," by Alex Melrose. Read by Ronald Decent; 8, BBC Variety Parade. Arthur Askey in "Hello, Playmates"; 8.30, Thursday Scrapbook; 9, Time Signal. The News and Home News from Britain; 9.15, The Prime Minister, the Right Hon. Harold Macmillan, broadcasts on the Independence of Ghana; 9.25, At the Opera. "Fidelio" (Beethoven). Principals with the N.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Arturo Toscanini; 10.30, "In Chancery" by John Galsworthy. (Repeat of last Sunday's broadcast); 10.59, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal. Radio Newsreel; 11.15, Goodnight Music; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

2 p.m. Variety Calls the Tune; 3, Romantic Cycles—Special abridged version of Andre Messager's romantic operetta, "Monsieur Beaucaire"; 3.30, Novatime—Featuring the Airlane Trio, Hugh Waddill, Les Paul and Mary Ford, and the Novatime Trio; 4, The Story of Bottle Castle; 4.15, Tea Time Rendezvous; 4.30, Vocally Yours—Popular Songs sung by George Guetary and Line Renaud; 5, Children's Corner—Presented by Auntie Ray; 5.30, Teen Time—Presented by Betty Souza; 6, Tropicana; 6.28, Birthday Mailbag; 6.45, Songs of the Island; 7, Time Signal and the News; 7.09, The Opening of the Tai Lam Chung Water Scheme. Speeches by Lady Patricia Lennox-Boyd and his Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, G.C.M.G. Recorded at the Inauguration Ceremony at Tsun Wan this afternoon; 7.15, Weather Report and Announcements; 7.17, Souvenir Songs; 7.32, Benny Goodman and his Orchestra; 7.45, Singing Strings; 8, Personality Parade—Rex Harrison; 8.15, Capitol Show; 8.30, Philo Vance in "The Murdock Murder Case", Jackson Beck as Philo Vance; 9, Time Signal, News and Home News from Britain; 9.15, The Prime Minister, the Right Hon. Harold Macmillan, broadcasts on the Independence of Ghana; 9.25, Musical Interlude; 9.30, Dennis Day Show; 10, Cafe Continental—French Music presented by Jeannette Pirx; 10.30, London Studio Concert; 11, Date with Dreamland; 11.30, Prelude to Midnight; 12, "God Save the Queen". Close Down.

Claim Repeated

Buenos Aires, Mar. 6.

The government submitted a note to the British Embassy here reaffirming Argentine claims to the Falkland Islands in view of a new British stamp issue which alludes to them as a British possession.

The Argentine note says the stamp issue "does not recognise the inalienable title of the Argentine Republic to that archipelago".—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith

"She'll be right out — I distinctly heard her say goodbye 15 minutes ago!"

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